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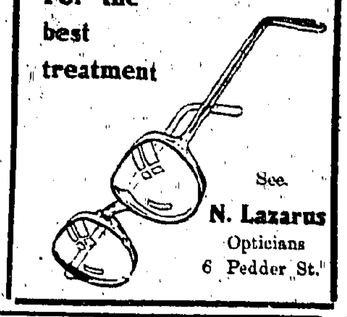
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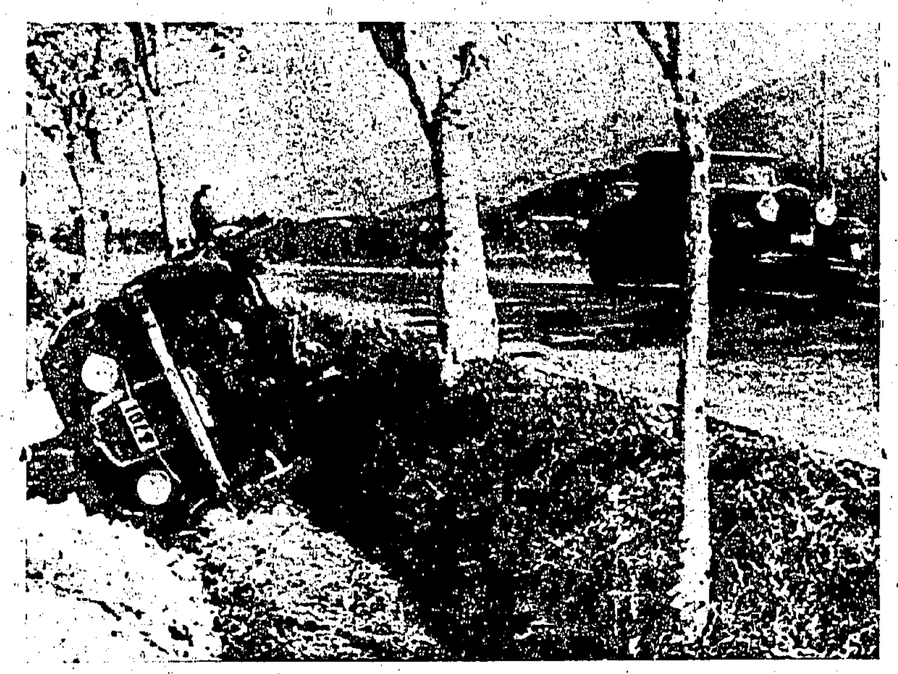

Scene of an accident in Fanling on Sunday when motor-car No. 3701 overturned on the side of the road.

KONOYE'S STATEMENT

SECURITY FOR FOREIGN INVESTMENTS IN FAR EAST

Tokyo, December 14.

The Premier, Prince Konoye, in a lengthy statement to Japanese pressmen, called on China to rectify her blunder and abandon her useless resistance against Japan. The Premier also emphasised that Foreign Powers would certainly appreciate Japan's position as the only stabilising power in East Asia.

Prince Konoye declared that Japan will not relax her chastisement of anti-Japanese administration and the troops of "Japan will be constrained to take joint and concrete measures for mutual existence and prosperity with the new and proper administration which may come into existence following the collapse of the Nanking Government."

He also expressed the deepest sympathy with third power nationals whose lives and properties have been affected by the hostilities adding that the birth of the new China will serve as security for foreign interests in the Far East and concluded that the fall of Nanking is only a prelude of the war and marks the start of the real protracted hostilities against China and in this respect called on the Japanese nation to redouble its efforts to cope with the situation.—Reuter.

Mr. Yoshida

London, Dec. 14: The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Shigeru Yoshida, to-day visited Mr. Eden, British Foreign Secretary, and offered apologies for the recent attacks on British warships in the Yangtse. The Ambassador indicated that the Japanese Government was not yet fully in possession of the fact but was actively pressing enquiries.—*Reuter.*

REAL BOYCOTT OF JAPAN URGED

Washington, Dec. 14: The question of a boycott of Japan is again being discussed in labour circles. The President of the American Federation of Labour speaking at Ohio pledged the Federation to "make a real boycott against Japan for her barbarous war on China."—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

JAPANESE FORCES

In Complete Control Of Nanking

Shanghai, Dec. 14.

Japanese forces are in complete control of Nanking and occupy all the gates, and hostilities within the walls of the city have ceased according to a Japanese Army spokesman who added that fires were raging but owing to delay in communications there was no information about the number of prisoners taken or civilian casualties.

Questioned about the embassies and other foreign properties the spokesman said that specials maps were given to the various commanders with instructions to afford such property full protection.

Japanese press reports state that Kiakwan was occupied at 4 p.m., after the Chinese defenders were routed by the severe artillery bombardment.—*Reuter.*

CATHDRAL XMAS TREE FUND

The Christmas Tree will stand again at St. John's Cathedral in the north transept from Saturday, December 18. As in previous years, gifts placed on it will be distributed to needy families through the Benevolent Society, the Society for the Protection of Children, and to people who are being helped by Miss Elliott.

The following articles are specially asked for: blankets, razors, soap, brushes, combs, handkerchiefs, books, crackers, tinned foods, biscuits, Horlick's milk, magazines, old toys, sweets and cocoa condensed milk, Marmite, rice, fruit, woollen socks, padded coats, Chinese sausages, salt fish, umbrellas, woollen bonnets, shoes and shirts.

A member of the Cathedral Women's Guild will be present each day until Christmas to receive the gifts. Those who wish to earmark their gifts are requested to write clearly on the outside of the packets. As it may be convenient for some to send gifts of money, the Chaplain will be pleased to receive them, addressed to him at the Cathedral office and marked "Christmas Tree Fund."

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Horticultural Society

LADY NORTHCOTE NEW PRESIDENT

Lady Northcote, wife of His Excellency the Governor, was elected the new President of the Hong Horticultural Society at its Annual General Meeting held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company last evening. Colonel H. B. L. Dowbiggin presided in the absence in England of Mrs. F. C. Hall.

In a short address, the Chairman said:—

"I have been asked to preside at this meeting in the absence in England of your President, Mrs F. C. Hall, who you will be pleased to hear will be with us in time for the Annual Show. Since we last met, we have lost two members of your Committee, both staunch supporters of the Society, in Sir William Hornell and Mr. H. Green.

"Sir William Hornell served on the Committee for a number of years and was President in 1934. Mr. H. Green for a still greater number of years was on your Committee, and his sound advice and ready help has been ever at our service.

The accounts of the Society before you show they are in a satisfactory state, but I expect the cost of running the next show will be considerably greater owing to the increased cost of building materials.

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KWANGTUNG GOVERNMENT RESHUFFLE

T. V. Soong Unlikely To Be Governor

Wu Teh-Chen's Reported Transfer Abroad

Important changes in the administrative personnel of the Kwangtung Provisional Government are likely to occur in the near future. Semi-official Chinese sources do not deny that a successor to General Wu Te-chen in the post of Provincial Chairman is under consideration. According to reports from Canton, General Wu is shortly assuming diplomatic duties abroad.

Reports mention that Mr. T. V. Soong may take over the Chairmanship of the Province, due to the fact that he is expert in financial matters and will be of inestimable value as Canton is likely to become a leading centre of Chinese affairs, but this is generally discounted in Chinese circles.

Mr. O. K. Yui, who though forced by circumstances to leave Shanghai is still nominally Mayor of Greater Shanghai, is likely to be given a high post in South China, but it is pointed out that his assumption of the Shanghai office in succession to General Wu does not necessarily mean the same will happen in the present case. Mr. Yui is still in Hankow, having flown there recently.

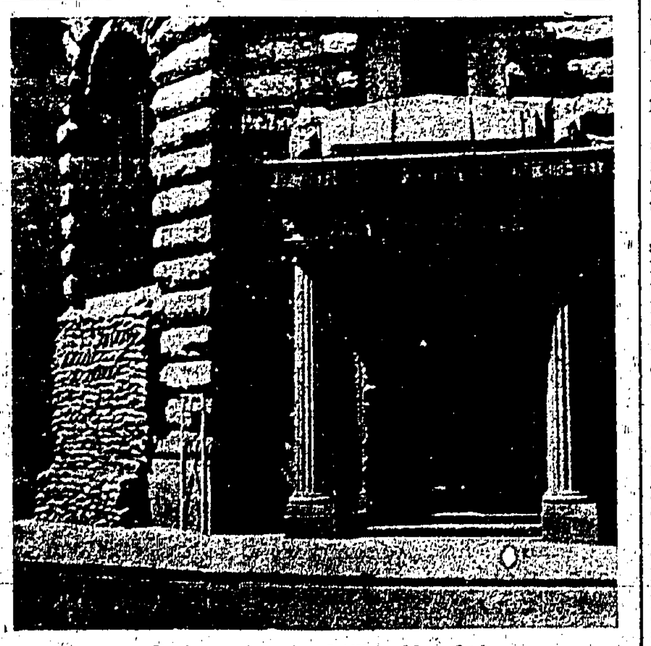
Owing to the fact that an official of some military experience is favoured by the Central authorities, in view of the critical situation, it is thought by some that General Hsiang Han-ping, one of the chief of the 4th Route Army, will probably be nominated to the post.

It is learned that the Central authorities are considering three or four suitable candidates, but there is no indication that those mentioned are on the list.

A new Mayor for Canton is also strongly rumoured. The present Mayor, Mr. Tsang Yang-fu, is said to be shortly proceeding to Chungking. Speculation is rife in Canton as to the purpose of the reported visit, but officials decline to comment on the matter.

REPORTS DENIED

Canton, Dec. 14: The report that the President of the Bank of China, Mr. T. V. Soong, who is a brother-in-law of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, has been appointed Governor of Kwangtung Province, of which Canton is the capital, was officially denied here today. It was likewise denied that the present Governor, Gen. Wu Te-chen, will leave his post in order to take up a diplomatic appointment in Europe.— *Transocean.*



Business at a standstill in Shanghai.

ROOSEVELT WILL BE SATISFIED

ONLY IF EMPEROR APOLOGISES

Strong Demands By America

Washington, Dec. 14: Certain high officials in the administration indicate that President Franklin D. Roosevelt will be satisfied only if the Emperor of Japan apologises for the bombing of the U.S.S. Panay and gives assurance that measures will be taken to guarantee against repetition of a similar attack.

These officials also regard the demands as the strongest America has made in modern times and are considered to be designed to halt what is regarded as a travesty in world peace.

Government circles emphasise that should President Roosevelt's demands remain unsatisfied the United States Government could adopt measures such as cutting off Japan's war supplies and injuring Japanese finances and trade.

It is believed that Britain might take similar action.—*Reuter.*

VIGOROUS PROTEST

Washington, Dec. 14: Upon receipt of complete information as to the number of casualties and the condition of the survivors of the U.S.S. Panay the Government has decided to reinforce President Roosevelt's demand for full satisfaction from Japan with a vigorous written protest emphasising in greater detail yesterday's oral representations made to the Japanese Ambassador.—*Reuter.*

NEW OFFICIALS NAMED

Chungking, Dec. 14: Messrs. Sun Hsi-wen, Wang Cheng-ying, Yeh Chi-yuan, Cheng Tao-ju, Ho Chi-wu, Chang Chih-han, and Chen Chu-shan were appointed respectively Commissioners of Civil Affairs, Finance, Reconstruction, Secretary-General and members of the Kweichow Provincial Government at to-day's meeting of the Executive Yuan.

Messrs. Cheng Ti-cheng and Keh Shao-wu were appointed respectively Commissioners of Reconstruction and Education of the Kansu Provincial Government at the same meeting.

It may be recalled that Mr. Wu Ting-chang, former Minister of Industries, was recently appointed new Chairman of the Kweichow Provincial Government.—*Central News.*

Canada Fortifies Her Coasts

SCHEME REVISED

Ottawa, Dec. 14.

Canada's scheme for the fortification of her Pacific and Atlantic coasts have been thoroughly revised declared Mr. McKenzie King, Premier, at a banquet last night.

The construction of new fortifications under way were at present concentrated in the Pacific the reason for which, he declared, must be known to his listeners.

The Premier added that Canada needs an adequate air force in defending her coasts and she is buying the latest anti-aircraft guns and increasing her supplies of munitions.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

LONDON COVERED BY SNOW AND FROST

London, Dec. 14: After a day of pouring rain yesterday snow and frost covered London last night making the roads most treacherous. The night express from Edinburgh was held up at Euston and arrived in London 7½ hours late.—*Reuter.*

CHINESE TROOPS TRAPPED

Hankow, Dec. 14: It is feared that a large number of Chinese troops who are unable to evacuate from Nanking area are trapped by Japanese troops on three sides and Japanese warships on the fourth.

The Chinese admit the fall of Pukow and state that the main body of retreaters from Nanking are now concentrated at Pucheng as far as the railway station northward of Pukow.— *Reuter.*

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London Silver Market

(From Our Own Correspondent).

London, Dec. 14.

London silver prices to-day were up 3/16 for "Spot" and 1/8 for "Forward," as follow:—

	Dec. 13.	Dec. 14.
Spot	18-1/2	18-11/16
Forward	18-3/16	18-5/16

"BANZAI!"

Procession Of School Children In Tokyo

Tokyo, Dec. 14: Ten thousand school children and students, mostly in blue uniforms, also Scouts and reservists, marched in procession here to-day, each waving paper flags in the brilliant sunshine. They visited the Palace Plaza, the War and Navy Ministries shouting "Banzai" at the capture of Nanking. To-night, there will be similar tremendous lantern processions. The city is illuminated, and similar celebrations are planned throughout Japan.—*Reuter.*

MARYKNOLL CONVENT AND HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOLS' PRIZE DAY

PROFESSOR L. FORSTER ON PROGRESS MADE IN WOMEN'S EDUCATION

The annual prize distribution of Maryknoll Convent School and Holy Spirit School took place in the hall of the former yesterday. Professor L. Forster presented the prizes.

After His Lordship, Bishop Valtorta, had said the opening prayer, a very pleasant programme of music and excerpts from "Hansel And Gretel" was rendered by the students.

Reading the reports on behalf of the Headmistresses of the two schools, the Rev. Fr. G. Byrne, S.J. said:—

The year in view has been an eventful one, marked by the transference of the school from our former outgrown building on Prince Edward Road to our present "home" and school at Waterloo Road. The new building, hailed by all for its beauty of design, has given freer scope for the adoption of the various activities so necessary to the practical, cultural, and social development of the students—now 420 in number.

The Staff for the past year consisted of 10 Sisters and three lay teachers. In addition there were four special teachers for Chinese, French and Portuguese.

The annual report of Mr. E. J. Edwards, Inspector of English Schools, gives a good summary of the standard of the school work.

Our lack of playground space has been overcome this year by the provision of a new covered playground, which gives opportunity for physical drill in the open air despite inclemency of weather. Provisions for the erection of tennis courts are under way.

In compliance with the recommendation of Mr. Sayer, Director of Education, in regard to eye inspection, Dr. Basto examined and treated children requiring attention.

GIRL GUIDES

A Girl Guide Company has been functioning for four years in the school under the able leadership of Captain Burslem.

The Brownie Pack—for which we secured the devoted services of Miss Hansen this year—though small in number, has been doing good work.

The children have contributed generously by personal sacrifices to the many benevolent collections for St. Vincent de Paul Society and other charitable organizations made in the school during the year.

The Examination results—with 100 per cent. pass for all candidates—were especially gratifying.

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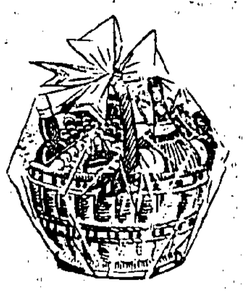

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TWO APPEALS ALLOWED

Magistrate's Decisions Reversed

Before His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in the Appeal Court yesterday, an appeal against a conviction by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy on November 8, was heard.

The appellant, Yip Ken-chuen, alias Li Yau-sing, 48, was charged at the Magistracy with having attempted to obtain $1,000 by false pretences, between September 9 and 13, from Chan Chun-yin, of No. 4 York Road, Kowloon Tong, by sending her a letter purporting to be written by her husband in Honolulu advising her to pay $1,000 to Li Yau-sing, of No. 65 Wing Street, as settlement of an account between Li's uncle and Chan's husband. He was convicted of the charge, and sentenced to six months' hard labour.

The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jr., instructed by Mr. H. L. Kwan, of Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the appellant, while Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, was for the Crown.

Counsel said the appeal was made on the grounds of insufficient evidence. The evidence adduced by the Crown was that the woman Chan received a letter purporting to be from her husband in Honolulu telling her to pay a sum of money to Li Yau-sing. She went to the address given in company with two other women and interviewed the defendant there. She later received a subsequent letter from Li Yau-sing, and took the police to arrest him.

There was nothing to prove that appellant pretended he was authorised by Wong Kwai-lung, Chan's husband, to receive the money, neither was there proof that he wrote the second letter which was purported to have been signed by him. The Crown, he admitted, had proved that the letter from Honolulu was a forgery, and also that Li admitted he was Li.

Mr. Kwan had appeared for appellant at the Magistracy and had submitted he had no case to answer. In reply to that, the Magistrate held there was a case to answer and said that it was not necessary for the prosecution to prove that defendant had forged the letter from Honolulu. He also held that there was sufficient prima facie evidence that defendant had represented himself to be authorised by Wong to receive the money.

Counsel submitted that the conviction should be quashed.

Mr. Williams said he had nothing to say, as he could not support the decision of the Magistrate.

His Lordship thereupon quashed the conviction, and discharged appellant.

THE SECOND APPEAL

A second appeal against convictions by the same Magistrate at the Central Magistracy on November 19 was then heard. Appellants were Yip Keng-chuen, alias Li Yau-sing, and Tsui Kwong-yan, convicted on a charge of conspiracy to defraud by stealing letters in the course of transit for the purpose of obtaining money by false pretences. Both were sentenced to six months' hard labour.

The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jr., instructed by Mr. H. L. Kwan, of Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for appellants, and Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney-General, was for the Crown.

Li Yau-sing was alleged to have sent a letter to Tin Ying-pong, of No. 74 Apliu Street, first floor, purporting to be written by Tin's friend, Ng Fu, in Ocean Island advising him to pay a sum of approximately $90, which was held for him by Tin, to defendant. He was further alleged to have written a letter to Chan Chun-yin, married woman, of No. 4 York Road, Kowloon Tong, requesting her to pay him $1,000. This letter was purported to have been written by the woman's husband in Honolulu.

Tsui Kwong-yan was alleged to have sent a letter to Kwan Hong-ki, merchant, of No. 7 Cumberland Road, Kowloon Tong, purporting to be written by Kwan's friend in Sydney, instructing him to pay $1,500 to Chan Ming-cho, of No. 62 Des Voeux Road West, first floor.

INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE

Mr. d'Almada said that appeal in this case was also on the grounds of insufficient evidence. There were originally other men charged with the defendants against whom the police did not proceed, and they were accordingly discharged by the Magistrate, except for one, who jumped his bail. Counsel submitted that throughout the evidence adduced by the Crown, there was nothing to entitle the Magistrate in finding any common design, concert or agreement. The Crown had proved only, that there were two attempts to victimise and one actual case of attempting to obtain money by false pretences.

FORGERY NOT PROVED

The letter purporting to have been written from Ocean Island had not been proved a forgery by the Crown. There was nothing to support it, and there was no evidence to prove that Ng Fu did not authorise anyone to collect the money.

The Magistrate in his reasons for holding that defendants had a case to answer, appeared to attach some importance to the presence of second appellant in the floor where Kwan had visited. In the letter written to the woman Chan, there was no proof of first appellant's handwriting. In the Ocean Island letter, there was no proof of fraud, but because of its similarity to the other two the Magistrate held against defendant.

Counsel submitted that there was nothing to connect the Sydney case with the other two. The association of the two appellants in something proper led the Magistrate to believe they were associated in the alleged frauds.

The general impression of fraud had confused the Magistrate and had tended to lead him to forget the real charge of fraud. Counsel submitted that the convictions should therefore be quashed.

Mr. Williams, in reply, submitted that there was sufficient evidence to show fraud.

His Lordship, in quashing the convictions, said that whatever justification there might have been on the evidence in the direction of registering a conviction against any of the defendants, he could find no justification for the grounds on which the Magistrate chose to stand. He could not put it any higher than a slight suspicion against the appellants.

The convictions were quashed.

Both men were immediately set free.

ATTEMPT TO DEFRAUD

FALSE PRETENCES CASE

The hearing of the case in which Cheng Ping-kwan, aged 24, broker, is charged with obtaining money from Mr. R. A. da Silva, manager of the Colonial Trading Company, by means of forged orders, was held before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday when after evidence was taken, the case was adjourned for judgment.

Detective-Sergeant D. Davies prosecuted, and Mr. Hin-shing Lo defended.

Sergt. Davies said complainant was local agent for a cork firm in Portugal. Defendant was employed by him as a broker and received a commission of two per cent. on orders executed. From September 9 to November 15, defendant gave Mr. Silva six orders. Of these, five firms did not exist. One, the Wing Fung Heung firm, was a genuine concern, but the master had never given defendant any orders.

FORGED CHOPS

Defendant was arrested on December 6, and admitted that all the bill-heads had been chopped with forged chops and signatures. He took the police to his flat in Wanchai and produced two forged chops.

Evidence was given by Mr. Silva. Cross-examined at length by Mr. Lo, witness agreed that he had paid defendant a sum of money as advance commission because of the goods to come and because of past dealings and then when he found the orders were fictitious became scared and brought the proceedings.

Mr. Lo then submitted his client should be discharged. Complainant had not been induced to part with his money as it was not the general practice for commission to be paid in advance.

His Worship ruled that defendant had a case to answer, and Mr. Lo put his client in the witness-box.

VERBAL ORDERS

There defendant said two of the orders he had given Mr. Silva were verbal ones received from firms and the others were fictitious ones which he had invented in order to benefit himself by getting the regular salary which had been promised him as soon as his work justified it.

Mr. Lo then called Ho Keng, a merchant, who testified to defendant's character, saying he was a very good man and he would sign a bond for him if it were necessary. His Worship then adjourned the case till this morning when judgment will be delivered.

FALSE TRADE MARKS

Chan Yiu-ming, aged 57, appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with attempting to obtain money with intent to defraud by falsely pretending that the contents of 144 tins contained the genuine product of the Ve Mo Powder Company when they were actually spurious, and with possession of 144 tins bearing words "manufactured by the Tien Ih Ve Mo Powder Factory, Shanghai," contents of which had not been manufactured by that Company. Mr. F. H. Loseby conducted the prosecution, assisted by Detective-Inspector M. Murphy. Defendant was not legally represented.

Formal evidence as to the contents of some of the tins forming the subject of the charge was given by Mr. J. Redman, Assistant Government Analyst, who said 14 sample tins contained 65 per cent of berax.

Evidence was given by Mr. C. S. Sui, manager of the local branch of the Tien Ih Ve Mo firm, of Shanghai. He said his firm manufactured a food power which was packed in cases. A large case contained 12 dozen bottles and a small case 10 dozen. The former was valued at $124.80 and the latter at $115.

On November 25 witness took to No. 7 Police Station and handed to Detective-Sergeant J. Allen a 12-dozen case which he had obtained from the Chung Sheng-sing shop. He had examined the tins and had found them to be goods of his firm, but the contents of them were not.

Corroborative evidence was given by Mr. Chung Chun-kai, manager of the Chung Chun-hing firm who said he had bought the bottles from the Lam Hing firm.

Defendant declined to offer any evidence and His Worship adjourned the case till Monday December 20 for judgment.

TRIED TO OBTAIN BIRDS' NEST

Man Convicted For Trick On Dealers

Denying that he had ever entered the complainant shop despite evidence of witnesses, Wu Sik-chiu, aged 42, unemployed, was nevertheless convicted by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday when he appeared on remand on a charge of obtaining by a trick, four catties of Chinese birds' nest, valued at $84, from the Cheong Loong Birds' Nest shop No. 352 Queen's Road Central on Sunday.

In evidence, Wu Lai-chung, salesman of the complainant firm, said defendant came into his shop with another man and ordered the four catties of birds' nest. He asked witness to go with him for payment. They went to another shop in Queen's Road West, and there at defendant's request the goods were left while the two of them went to Third Street in search of the man who defendant said would pay for the goods. From Third Street defendant took witness to Lower Lascar Row, where the former bolted. He was chased and arrested by a District Watchman. Corroborative evidence was also given.

Defendant's version was that Wu Lai-chung had conspired with another man named Chan to defraud the master of the shop, and the plot had failed as Chan had "double-crossed" Wu, but after he had given evidence on his own behalf, he was convicted.

Detective-Sergeant T. Cashman, who prosecuted, then handed up the man's record, which showed that he had been sent to prison for four months early this year for demanding money with menaces. He asked that defendant be recommended for banishment. Sentence of three months' hard labour was passed, with the recommendation as asked for.

PORTUGUESE ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Alvaro Antonio de Souza Remedios, aged 38, book-keeper, residing at No. 41, Waterloo Road, second floor, appeared before Mr. K. Keen at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday morning on a charge of attempted incest. It was alleged that between November 28 and December 5 defendant attempted to have carnal knowledge of his daughter, Emilia Marie Remedios.

Inspector Cunningham was in charge of the case and asked for a remand of seven days which was granted.

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SINKING OF PANAY AROUSES U.S.

Vigorous Representations To Be Sent To Japan

SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR OUTRAGE RECALLED

Washington, Dec. 13.

President Franklin Roosevelt has conveyed to the Emperor of Japan an expression of his deep concern at the bombing of U.S.S. Panay.

Simultaneously the United States Government transmitted to the Japanese Government a demand for full compensation, apologies and guarantees against a repetition of such an attack.—

VIGOROUS PROTEST

Washington, Dec. 13.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, has prepared vigorous representations to be presented to Japan regarding the sinking of the U.S.S. Panay in the Yangtse on Sunday. Mr. Hull held conference with a group of Far eastern advisers before drafting his protest.

There is no indication at present whether the representations will include demands for indemnity covering the cost of the Panay and suitable compensation for the casualties involved.

Before despatching his note Mr. Hull is expected to confer with President Franklin D. Roosevelt.

It was stated at the White House to-day that the Government's policy with reference to the sinking of the Panay would be decided on a national, patriotic basis, with the complete absence of any political consideration. President Roosevelt is represented as being hopeful that the American people and the press would give him their understanding support.

"DEEPLY SHOCKED"

President Roosevelts' message and the Government's demands have been transmitted to the Japanese Ambassador by Mr. Cordell Hull, who told the Ambassador that the President was 'deeply shocked and concerned by the news of the indiscriminate bombing of American and other non-Chinese vessels in the Yangtse, and requests the Emperor to be so advised."

Mr. Stephen Early, Assistant Secretary to the President, who made the announcement of the diplomatic rejoinder to the Panay bombing to the press, said President Roosevelt had made all his engagements on a tentative basis so if necessary, he could give his entire time to the Japanese situation.

SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR RECALLED

Washington, Dec. 13.

The extreme gravity with which the United States Government regards the Yangtse scuttlings, notwithstanding the profuse apologies already tendered by every appropriate Japanese authority, can be gauged by the following points which were made to Reuter by a competent authority this evening.

1. This is the first occasion a United States warship has been sunk in peace time by a so-called friendly Power since the sinking of the battleship Maine, which precipitated the Spanish-American War.

2. The President's personal intervention and message to Emperor Hirohito are circumstances rarely, if ever, with parallel.

3. The United States Government is amazed at Mr. Saito's frank admission that the Japanese knew where the American vessels were located and that hence, in the Ambassador's own words "the bombing was a very grave blunder."

JAPANESE GUILT

The authorities are at a loss to account for this damaging admission, which, coupled with earlier unofficial reports that the Japanese commander in that area had allegedly told the Japanese pilots to sink all vessels upon the Yangtse, constitutes an admission of guilt upon more than one count, which is felt can lend itself only to the explanation that the Japanese military authorities, locally, if not nationally, were prepared to undertake hostile acts against friendly Powers, while scarcely bothering to conceal their designs.

Despite this severe provocation however the State Department is still proceeding slowly. It is indicated that a formal Note will not be presented until all the facts have been ascertained, which may not be for another 24 hours.—*Reuter.*

SENATORS' VIEWS

The view of some of the leading Senators on the subject of the Panay's sinking are interesting:

Senator William Borah does not see anything in the situation calling for drastic action.

Senator Elbert Thomas discounts the likelihood of a serious situation arising since the Japanese have assumed full responsibility.

Senator Pat McCarran declared: We should have been out of Chinese waters long ago."

Senator Henrik Shipstead demanded the withdrawal of all American military forces from China.

CLIMAX OF OUTRAGES

Senator Key Pittman, on the other hand, described the Panay's sinking as a climax of an intolerable series of incidents designed to frighten foreigners out of China. He said it gave little satisfaction to have the Japanese Government express regrets on each such occasion. Some high Japanese officers were responsible for such outrages, he said, and their names should be determined. They should be punished; for only such punishment would demonstrate the good faith of Japan.

The Japanese Government subjects itself to reasonable suspicion that such incidents are deliberate, with the purpose of frightening the nationals of neutral countries so that they will demand that their Governments withdraw all their representatives and nationals from China," Senator Pittman declared.—*Reuter.*

SENATE DEBATE

Washington, Dec. 13.

The Panay incident was debated in the Senate to-day, and demands for the withdrawal of American naval craft from China were expressed from various quarters.

Senator Alben W. Barkley replied that such action could not be undertaken. Senator Hiram W. Johnson urged Senators to withhold their comment until more facts were obtained, but added: 'Let us remember we are Americans and accord protection to American citizens throughout the world." —*Reuter.*

PAPER WARNS JAPAN

Washington, Dec. 13.

A warning to Japan to make her apology for the Panay incident whole-heartedly and speedily is given by the Conservative newspaper, the "Washington Star," which says there will be little disposition on the part of the United States to wait as long as Britain did for an explanation of the Japanese bombing of her Ambassador, or to be content with as grudging and half-hearted an apology as London was willing to accept.

The sinking of the Panay and the oil tankers can have only deplorable consequences if Japan, by failing adequately to atone for her misdemeanour adds arrogance to the injury.

To tolerate such conduct by marauders who were now putting China to sword and flame would be to stamp with approval Japan's whole campaign of brigandage and international lawlessness.—*Reuter.*

96 UNACCOUNTED FOR

New York, Dec. 13.

According, to a cable from the Standard Vacuum Oil Company's office in Shanghai, the survivors of the Panay are reported to number only 54 out of an estimated total of 150 aboard.

The message adds that four United States gunboats left Kuklang at daylight for the scene and the Japanese were reported to be sending gunboats and large seaplanes to assist.

It is reported that 18 Japanese bombers and pursuit planes participated in the attack upon the Panay and the oil tankers.—*Reuter.*

SEVEN MORE RESCUED

Shanghai, Dec. 14.

H.M.S. Bee has sent a wireless message that she has rescued seven more survivors from the U.S.S. Panay, all of whom are now safely aboard.

They are John Bonkoski, gunner's mate, Raymond Browning, electrician's mate, Thomas Coleman, seaman, John Dirhofer, seaman, Joseph Graves, gunners' mate, James Marshall of Collier's magazine, C. C. Vines from Roanoka, Virginia, who is connected with the B.A.T.

Fireman John Hodges and Machinist's Mate William Hoyle are travelling overland in an attempt to reach Wuhu from Hohsien.

H.M.S. Bee has requested the Japanese authorities to provide safe conduct, although the whereabouts of the two men are unknown.—*Reuter.*

CIVILIANS MOSTLY PRESSMEN

Shanghai, Dec. 14.

The original figure of 54 survivors of the Panay disaster has hitherto not been altered. The United States Embassy understands there were 76 aboard the Panay, comprising 54 members of the crew, six Chinese, and 16 foreign civilians mostly newspapermen.

The crews of the entire Standard Oil concentration comprise altogether six foreigners and 151 Chinese.

Carrying doctors and loaded with medical supplies, a three-motored Japanese plane hopped off for Hohsien from Shanghai this morning.—*Reuter.*

MORE SURVIVORS

Shanghai, Dec. 14.

H.M.S. Bee has wirelessed that she has picked up five more survivors, namely: J. Sherwood from McGraw, New York, assistant manager of the Standard Oil Company at Nanking, M. Biasina, an Italian engineer aboard one of the Standard Oil boats, D. S. Goldie, a Briton, installation superintendent of the Standard Oil at Wuhu, Capt. Jorgensen, Norwegian captain of the s.s. Meihsia, Capt. Mander, an Esthonian and captain of the s.s. Meiping.—*Reuter.*

CHINESE EXPRESS SYMPATHY

Hankow, Dec. 14

Chinese regrets over the bombing of the American gunboat "Panay" 29 miles upstream from Nanking on Monday, and the deep sympathy of the Chinese Government, have been expressed to the American authorities and relatives of the dead and wounded by a spokesman of the Chinese Foreign Ministry last evening. He declared that the Japanese attacks on ships or other nations jeopardise security in the Far East and proves in a conclusive manner that Japan respects treaties. Events of the last 24 hours, he went on, indicate that the entire Japanese campaign in Chinese territory is the result of imperialistic policy, and the sooner the great Powers of the world recognise the true Japanese aim and take a positive position the sooner can the world hope for peace.—*Transocean News Service.*

JAPAN'S REGRETS

Tokyo, Dec. 14.

In addition to his apology to the American Ambassador, Joseph Grew, for the Japanese attack on the American gunboat, the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Hirota, also called upon the British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, and pressed the sincere regrets of the Japanese Government over the bombing of the British warship "Ladybird."

The Japanese Ambassador in Washington, Mr. Saito, has been instructed to present his apologies at the Department of State.—*Transocean News Service.*

ATTLEE AND CENSURE

Defends His Position In House; Statement Accepted

London, Dec. 13.

The Opposition Leader, Mr. Clement Attlee, made a personal statement in the House of Commons to-day in connection with the motion which had been tabled inviting the House to pass a vote censure, alleging that while in Spain recently he contravened an undertaking not to take part in activity liable to be interpreted as inconsistent with the Government's policy of non-intervention.

Mr. Attlee said the basis of the charge appeared to be an inaccurate report of the speech he made at a luncheon given in his honour. He went to Spain on the invitation of the Spanish Prime Minister. His views were well known in this country. Although Leader of the Opposition, he was a private Member and owed no allegiance to the Government. He made no excuse or apology for any action in his visit to Spain.

The Prime Minister said Mr. Attlee had made his personal statement, and suggested that the House should accept it and let the matter rest there. The House then proceeded to other business.—*British Wireless.*

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GERMAN MEDIATION MYSTERY

London, Dec. 13.

In the House of Commons to-day Mr. Anthony Eden, replying to a question, said he understood from the German and Japanese Governments, that the German Ambassador in Nanking had not been charged to offer his services as peace mediator between the Chinese and Japanese Governments.—*Reuter.*

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12.40 p.m. Waltzes.

The Broken String; The Swallow Waltz.—Russian Novelty Orchestra. Coeur Ardent; Souvenir Fleuri (Composer Unknown).—Nullo Romani and his Orchestra. Donauwellen, Waltz (Ivanovici); The Last Waltz (O. Strauss).—Edith Lorand Orchestra.

1 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m. Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.

Descondfiale — Tango (Canaro-Pelay); Novia—Tango (Rofrano-Gorrindo). El Que A Hierro Mata —Tango (Canaro Pelay).

1.13 p.m. Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—My First Thrill; May All Your Troubles Be Little Ones (film "She shall have music"). The Fleet's In Port Again; Free (film "O-Kay for Sound"). At the Balalaika (from "Balalaika"). Waltz—Delyse.

1.30 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press, Local Weather Report and Announcements.

1.40 p.m. Variety.

Orchestra—Talking Film Memories.—Salon Orchestra cond. by Fred Hartley. Vocal—Flower Song; Rainbow on the River (from the film).—Bobby Breen. Vocal and Violin w. Piano—An Old Violin (Taylor and Fisher); Looking For You (Taylor and Sanderson).—Olive Groves (Soprano), Albert Sandler (Violin) and Jean Melville at the Piano. Vocal—Glamorous Night; When the Gipsy Played (from "Glamorous Night"—Novello and Hassall).—Mary Ellis (Soprano). Orchestra—Gipsy Drinking Song; Gipsy Fantasy (Charpentier and Rode).—Rode and his Tziganes.

2.15 p.m. Close down.

4 to 7 p.m. Chinese programme.

7 p.m. Brahms—Double Concerto in a Minor, Op. 102.

Thibaud (Violin) and Casals ('Cello) and The Pablo Casals Orchestra, Barcelona, conducted by Alred Cortot.

7.35 p.m. Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.

7.40 p.m. Studio—The Waikiki Trio (The Ho Brothers).

1, Dancing under the stars; 2, Hapa Haole Hula Girl; 3, Wai O Minehaha; 4, Beneath a Banyan Tree; 5, Hano-hano Hawaii.

8 p.m. Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m. Alexander Kipnis (Bass) and Ewald Bohmer (Baritone).

"Die Meistersinger von Nurnberg" (Wagner); The Feast of John, Midsummer Day.—Kipnis. "Der Rosenkavaller" (R. Strauss); Herr Kavalier.—Kipnis with E. Ruzivzka (Soprano). "The Magic Flute" (Mozart); A Fowler bold in me you see.—Ewald Bohmer (Baritone).

8.15 p.m. London Relay—"World Affairs."

A talk by J. L. Brierly, O.B.E., Chichele Professor of International Law, Oxford.

8.30 p.m. London Relay—"Music in the Morning."

The sixth of a series of programmes featuring melodies by British light composers with Frank Walker and his Octet. Presented by Mark H. Lubbock and George Gordon.

9 p.m. Spanish Music.

Spanish Dance No. 1—Oriental (Granados); Spanish Dance No. 2—Andelouse (Granados).—New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. Eugene Goossens. The Lover and the Nightingale (Granados). — Eileen Joyce (Piano). Spanish Dance, Op. 54, No. 5 (Popper).—Casals ('Cello) with Piano accomp. by Nicolai Mednikoff. If I Could Forget Your Eyes (Sandoval-Albeniz); It is you (Sandaval). — Beniamino Gigli (Tenor). Spanish Dance No. 3—Rondalla Aragonesa (Granados). Triana (Albeniz orchestrated by Arbos).—New Light Symphony Orchestra cond. Eugene Goossens.

9.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m. Joseph Szigeti (Violin).

Sonata in D Major (Handel).—With Nikita De Magaloff at the Piano.

10.02 p.m. New Variety and Dance Records.

Piano — Gangway — Selection—Patricia Rossborough Orchestra.—Harry Roy Stage Show—Harry Roy and his Orchestra (Recorded at the actual performance at the Garrick Theatre, Southport). Humorous—Silly, Isn't It?—Bennett and Williams. Dance Orchestra—Swing As It Comes; Swingitis.—Bert Firman's Quintuplets of Swing. Cinema Organ—Escapada (A Mexican Elopement—Phillips); Speak To Me Of Love (Lenoir).—Al Bollington. Vocal—To-day is the Day (Schultze-Buch); Wine Waltz (Gross-Steidl).—Herbert E. Groh (Tenor). Dance Orchestra—The Sheep Were In The Meadow—Fox-Trot (from "Going Greek").—Harry Roy and His Orchestra. Vocal—A Little Co-operation From You (from "Going Greek"); You're Here, You're There (Loeb-Kahal).—Judy Shirley. Dance Orchestra—Don't Say Good-bye—Quickstep; I Hum A Waltz—Waltz (film "This is my Affair").—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

11 p.m. Close down.

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4.15 p.m. Big Ben. "World Affairs." A talk by J. L. Brierly, O.B.E., Chichele Professor of International Law, Oxford. 4.30 p.m. "From the Popular Operas." The BBC Empire Orchestra, conducted by Clifton Helliwell. 5.20 p.m. The Birthday of his Majesty King George VI: Salute of Guns at the Tower of London, and a description of the scene, broadcast from the Tower of London. 5.35 p.m. The News and Announcements. 5.55 p.m. Variety, with "The Four Aces" in Gangster Rhythm. 6.25 p.m. Close down.

Trans. II (G.S.H., G.S.G., G.S.B.)

4.45 p.m. Big Ben; Beethoven String Quartets. 7.10 p.m. "The Goddess Fortune." A drama of back-stage life, by Earle Grey. Production by Howard Rose. 7.50 p.m. Luigi Voselli and his Hungarian Orchestra, with Louise Hayward. 8.1' p.m. "World Affairs." A talk by J. L. Brierly, O.B.E., Chichele Professor of International Law, Oxford. 8.30 p.m. "Music in the Morning." Light melodies by British composers. 9 p.m. Sea Shanties. The BBC Men's Chorus. 9.30 p.m. The News and Announcements. 9.55 p.m. Close down.

Trans. III (G.S.H., G.S.F., G.S.B.)

10.15 p.m. Big Ben. Brass Band Concert. 11 p.m. "Palace of Varieties." 12 midnight. The News and Announcements. 12.20 a.m. "Matters of Moment." A talk by Edward Thompson, in a series for listeners in India. 12.35 a.m. Orchestral Music by Bach. 1 a.m. Close down.

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5.15 p.m. News in French, Market Prices, Rates of Exchange. 5.45 p.m. News in Arabic. 6. p.m. Concert Relayed from Lille. 6.30 p.m. Concert Relay from Paris-P.T.T. 6.50 p.m. Who's Who To-day by Mr. F. Pottecher. 7. p.m. Relay of Radio-Journal of France (French News). 7.30 p.m. News in French, Rates of Exchange. 8.10 p.m. News in English. 8.20 p.m. News in Italian. 8.30 Relay. 10.30 p.m. Colonial Market Prices. 10.45 p.m. News in Portuguese. 11 p.m. Close Down.

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11.15 p.m. Concert Relayed from Radio-Paris. 12.15 p.m. News in French, Market Prices. Rates of Exchange. 12.40 a.m. News in Spanish 12.50 a.m. News in Portuguese. 1. a.m. Gramophone Records. 1.15 a.m. Close Down 3. a.m. Gramophone Records. 4 a.m. News in French, Market Prices, Rates of Exchange. 4.30 a.m. News in English. 4.45 a.m. Gramophone Records. 5.45 a.m. News in German. 6. a.m. Close Down.

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12.35 p.m. "At Home and Abroad"—"The Watchman." 12.50 p.m. Musical Interlude. 1 p.m. Time Signal. Victorian News Bulletin. 1.05 p.m. Interstate Weather Notes, etc. 1.15 p.m. Stock Exchange Report. 1.20 p.m. Musical Interlude. 1.30 p.m. Description of the Compensation Race Meeting at Mentone, by Jim Carroll, interspersed with musical numbers. 5.15 p.m. Close. 6.30 p.m. Chimes. Fifteen Minutes of Popular Music. 6.45 Sporting News and Notes. 7 p.m. Talk—"Among the Aborigines," by Dr. Donald Thomson. 7.20 p.m. National News Bulletin. 7.30 p.m. Queensland and North Australian News Bulletin. 7.40 p.m. News, Markets and Weather for North Australia. 8 p.m. The National Military Band, Conductor, Stephen Yorke. 8.40 p.m. Travel Letter from Denzil Batchelor. 8.50 p.m. Musical Interlude. 9 p.m. Summer Orchestral Hour. 10 p.m. Harpsichord Recital by Mancel Kirby. 10.30 p.m. Australasian News Service. 10.55 p.m. Recorded Feature. 11.30 p.m. Close.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 15.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—Ember Day. Isaak Walton died, 1683.

Cinemas.—(See Page 5).

Commercial.—The Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd., Third Interim Dividend payable.

Dances.—Cheero Club Ladies' Committee, Carnival Dance at China Fleet Club Theatre, 8.30 p.m.; Charity Ball at Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden, for International Medical Relief.

Entertainments—"The Arcadians," at Queen's Theatre, 9.20 p.m.

Lectures.—Air Raids Precaution Course for Chinese Community, at St. John Ambulance Headquarters, 7 p.m.

Mails.—(See Page 16).

Meetings—Kowloon Union Church Women's Guild, 10 a.m.; Annual, of Hong Kong Aquarium Society, in the Rooms of Miss Daisy O'Keefe's School of Dancing Bank of East Asia Building, 5.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—Kowloon Junior School Prize-Distribution by Lady MacGregor at Central British School, 5.30 p.m.; Annual Prize-Giving of Peak School, at Peak Club, 5.15 p.m. by Mrs. N. L. Smith; Claims against the Estate of William Alfred Augustus West due.

Moon.—XI Moon, 13th. Day.

Rehearsals.—Hong Kong Singers, at Union Church, Kennedy Road, 5.30 p.m.

Social—Whist Drive and Tombola, Garrison Sgts.' Mess, Queen's Road, 8.30 p.m.

Sports.—(See Page 10).

Sunrise.—6.55 a.m. **Sunset.**—5.41 p.m.

Tides.—High at 07.29 and 18.53; Low at 01.32 and 12.18.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16.

Cinemas.—(See Page 5).

Mails.—(See Page 16).

Moon.—XI Moon, 14th. Day.

Sports.—(See Page 10).

Sunrise.—6.55 a.m. **Sunset.**—5.41 p.m.

Tides.—High at 05.59 and 18.05. Low at 00.37 and 11.30.

HAND-BELL MUSIC IN ST. PAUL'S

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For, the first time in history hand-bells were rung in St. Paul's Cathedral recently. A service was held there to celebrate the founding 300 years ago of the Ancient Society of College Youths.

After the service a dinner was held at Cannon-street Hotel, E.C., and among the guests were the Earl of Shaftesbury, himself a ringer at the parish church of St. Giles, Dorset, and the Duke of Argyll.

Mrs. Wilkins and Mrs. Hairs, the only two women members of the society, were also present.

The Lord Mayor of London, said: "We are fortunate in the City in possessing the best-known bells in the world—those of St.-Mary-le Bow. They called back Dick Whittington to be thrice Lord Mayor of London, and are now heard in all parts of the world where wireless is known."

The Bishop of London, Dr. Winnington-Ingram, replying to the toast of The Church, referred to "the old-time custom among bell-ringers of slaking their thirst with beer. "Although I am a life-long teetotaler, I am sure you deserve your glass of beer," he said.

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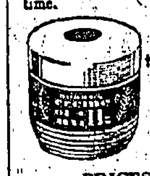

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INDIAN PRINCE KILLED BY CAR

Accident On Great West Road

Prince Victor Nityendra, of Cooch Behar, uncle of the Maharaja of Cooch Behar, was killed by a motor-car while crossing the Great West road, near Osterley Park Station, Middlesex, recently.

His only son Prince Gautam, an undergraduate at Cambridge, had come to London and Prince Victor, who was 63, was on his way to see him at his home in Sussex-gardens, Hyde Park. He had just left a private dance.

An all-round sportsman and big game hunter, Prince Victor was a member of M.C.C. and formerly captain of the Cooch Behar team. He was hon. secretary of the Indian Gymkhana Cricket Club at Osterley Park.

Prince Victor was born in Windsor Castle. Queen Victoria was present at the orthodox Hindu naming ceremony and put the caste-mark on the forehead of the baby, who, in her Majesty's honour, was called Victor.

His mother, the Maharani Suniti Devi, was the first Indian princess to be received at Court in London, and his father was A.D.C. to King Edward VII. both as Prince of Wales and as King.

STORMS RAGE IN BRITISH ISLES

Troopship Fighting Heavy Seas In Bay Of Biscay

London, Dec. 13.

The worst storms for many years are raging over the British Isles and Scotland.

The liner *Normandie* was forced to anchor while battling a gale off the Isle of Wight.

The troopship Dumera with troops from Egypt and Malta, is fighting high seas in the Bay of Biscay.

Many parts in the north of England and Scotland are isolated.

A small vessel bound for London was driven ashore in a gale off the Irish coast. The crew was rescued by rocket apparatus.—*Reuter.*

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CINEMA FILM HISTORY

Archives In The Vienna Library

An archive for the history of the film has recently been added to the Vienna National Library. The well-known authority on theatrical matters, Professor Dr. Joseph Gregor, who originated and manages this archive, has here produced, in a graphic way, a proof that the ancient history of the film can be traced as far back as the Stone Age.

Motion in the pictures of those days, such as is represented by running, jumping and fighting in the Egyptian tombs fixed moment by moment, are sufficient examples of the fact that even in those days, there existed primitive works.

The most valuable relic in the museum is Haydn's skull which has been preserved here ever since the year 1895 in a black shrine after all its strange wanderings.

The society's conservatory too, which was founded in 1817, rose to fame and is still carried on to-day as a State academy of music and the fine arts Eminent men have taught here such as Anton Bruckner, Ferdinand Lowe, Emil von Sauer, Arnold Rose. From among the great number of students we might mention Karl Goldmark, Gustav Mahler, Felix Mottl, Hans Richter, Robert Fuchs, Guido Alder, Franz Schrecker, Fritz Kreisler, Bahr-Mildenburg, Lucie Weidt, etc.

The Society of the Lovers of Music celebrated its 125th anniversary with a festival week which lasted from the 5th till the 10th December, under the musical direction of Furtwangler, Walter and Kabasta.

Among other items, the programme comprised an open-air mass, the festive gathering, two concerts with the Vienna Philharmonic orchestra in which Pablo Casals took part, one with the Vienna symphonic orchestra with Wilhelm Backhaus and a choral concert, Haydn's "Creation," conducted by Furtwangler.

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

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KING'S:—
"The Prisoner of Zenda"
QUEEN'S:—
"Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde"
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"Cattle Thief"
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"The Count of Monte Cristo"
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"Women of Glamour"

Coming

KING'S:—
"Public Enemy's Wife"
QUEEN'S:—
"Morocco"
ORIENTAL:—
"Saratoga"
ALHAMBRA:—
"A Successful Calamity"
STAR:—
"Ladies In Love"
MAJESTIC:—
"Good Dame"

PRISONER OF ZENDA

Right on the heels of his sensational hit, "A Star Is Born," David O. Selznick has ushered in another magnificent piece of entertainment.

The picture is "The Prisoner of Zenda," showing to-day at the King's Theatre. Anthony Hope's swashbuckling tale of love, intrigue and adventure in the courts of Europe, with Ronald Colman, Madeleine Carroll and Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., in the leading roles.

Colman is at his charming best in the difficult dual of the adventurous Rudolf Rassendyll and as the roistering King V, whom he resembled so closely.

CATTLE THIEF

Stealing a man's horse was a greater crime than killing the man himself in the old days of the west, according to Ken Maynard, hero of a hundred western dramas and one of the outstanding authorities on the West. His latest Columbia screen play is "The Cattle Thief" showing at the Alhambra Theatre to-day.

"The penal code in the old days of the west always meted out death to a horse-stealer because stealing a man's transportation in a region where a horse meant the difference between life and death was a deliberate act,55 Maynard said.

"However, killing a man was another matter. Since all men carried guns, shootings were common, and the courts were always ready to believe that extenuating circumstances existed when a man was killed in a shooting melee," the Columbia star explained.

In "The Cattle Thief" Maynard meets trickery with treachery and matches bullets with brains as he wages an undercover war against the prairie plunderers. Appearing with him is Geneva Mitchell, Ward Bond, Sheldon Lewis and Roger Williams.

DRAMA AND SURPRISES

A superbly enacted comedy drama, rich in romance, pathos and emotional power, completely captivated yesterday's audiences at the Majestic Theatre with its straightforward, daring tale of a love that defied the conventions of a society too smug to be realistic. The film is Columbia's "Women of Glamour," written by Lynn Starling and Mary C. McCall, Jr., with Virginia Bruce and Melvyn Douglas in the leading roles. Supporting the stars is a large cast including Reginald Denny, Leona Maricle, Thurston Hall, Pert Kelton and Miki Morita.

Taking a serious theme, and infusing it with bright flashes of tender romance and sharp-witted comedy, Director Gordon Wiles has painted a screen picture that approaches entertainment perfection.

JACQUELINE WELLS FEATURED IN COLUMBIA FILM

Jacqueline Wells, who played the feminine lead in Columbia's "Counsel For Crime," and Scott Colton, sharing top billing with Wyn Cahoon in "Forgotten Women," were assigned to feature parts in "Little Miss Roughneck," in which Edith Fellows, child actress will be seen in her first starring role. Leo Carrillo appears opposite the young starlet, with Inez Palange, Margaret Irving, Frank Wilson, Phillipe Urjck and Gilbert Enriquez already signed for this picture which Aubrey Scotto is directing.

Miss Wells, recruited from the stage, has been appearing prominently in pictures for the past two years. Since joining Columbia she has been seen in "The Frame Up," "Girls Can Play," "Paid To Dance," "Counsel For Crime" and "She Married An Artist." Scott Colton, Columbia's young leading man was featured in "Murder In Greenwich Village," "It's All American Sweetheart," and "The Awful Truth."

"THE KID" IS MARRIED

Jackie Coogan, one-time child film star and now a staid 25 years of age, was married in Hollywood recently to Miss Betty Grable in the presence of hundreds of film celebrities. Among the guests was Charlie Chaplin, in whose film "The Kid" Coogan made his first appearance and paved the way for a long sequence of child "stars." Coogan made his first appearance on the stage when 18 months old.

Shirley Temple, whose picture "Stowaway," is the current feature at the Oriental Theatre. The diminutive star is at present working on "Rebecca of Sunnybrooke Farm," with Randolph Scott.

STAR DUST

Leatrice Joy Gilbert, thirteen-year-old daughter of the late John Gilbert and of Leatrice Joy, makes her screen debut in "Benefits Forgot," starring Walter Huston with Beulah Bondi.

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Nothing is more annoying to a well-dressed man than to find that his back stud has become unfastened His choler immediately rises.

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Luis Alberni gets one of the featured roles in "Bluebeard's Eighth Wife," starring Claudette Colbert and Gary Cooper. Production started recently.

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Paramount are planning to film the life of Caruso. Mario Chamlee, American tenor who slightly resembles Caruso, would play the title part with Gladys Swarthout opposite.

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Leo Reuss, the Viennese actor whose engagement by M-G-M was announced in Film Weekly, has arrived in Hollywood as Lionel Royce.

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Lily Pons has finished her contract with Radio, and is dallying with a contract with Paramount to appear in screened grand opera.

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Warners are planning a series with the Mauch Twins as "Penrod and Sam." "Penrod and His Twin Brother," now nearing completion, will be followed by "Penrod and Danny."

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Beverly Roberts and director William Keighley are shortly to be married. They will leave for a European honeymoon as soon as Keighley finishes directing "The Adventures of Robin Hood."

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Neil Hamilton is back in Hollywood to play the leading part opposite Sally Eilers in "The Lady Misbehaves" for Republic. Joseph Schildkraut is also in the cast.

ROYAL AUDIENCES

Presented to six kings and four presidents, honoured by twelve command performances and decorated by four nations, Grace Moore takes her place as the most honoured singer of royalty and rulers in the world to-day.

The Columbia singing star, who pioneered the way for opera in motion pictures with "One Night Of Love" and is currently appearing in her most ambitious production, "I'll Take Romance," is literally the pet of Royalty.

Three kings of England—the late George V, Edward VIII and George VI, during their respective reigns, have honoured this American thrush of opera, concert, radio and screen.

"One Night of Love" was the favorite motion picture of George V. The Queen Mother Mary, the mother of the present monarch of Great Britain, saw this picture four times. Miss Moore was presented to them formally when she sang "Manon" at Convent Gardens and appeared later at a Command performance.

King Edward VIII received and entertained her during his brief reign and she was presented later to George VI and his Queen. To make it virtually a "clean sweep" of the English royal family, Miss Moore was the guest of honor at a private dinner given by the Duke and Duchess of Kent.

King Gustav of Sweden presented her with the King's, or Court, medal after her appearance in Stockholm and a subsequent command performance. The King's medal, by law, is "assigned to attendance upon the court" and is the highest personal distinction in the power of the Swedish monarch to bestow. Only one other singer in the world has ever received this honor, she is Christina Neilson, the Swedish star.

King Christian of Denmark, after Miss Moore's sensational triumphs at the Royal Oper House in Copenhagen last year, bestowed upon her the order of His Majesty, signified by the Royal Medal of Recompense and decreed a command performance.

Norway's monarch, King Haakon, presented the American singer with a diamond bar pin bearing the royal crown in diamonds, which is the form of highest honor in that country for accomplishments in the arts.

America's own distinguished recognition of the star, and one which she regards the greatest honor of all, is the Fellowship Medal of the American Society of Arts and Sciences. It was presented following the release of her sensational "One Night of Love," and was "for conspicuous achievement in raising the standard of cinema art."

MORE CHINESE PAPERS CEASE PUBLICATION

Japanese Censors' Demands Unacceptable

Shanghai, Dec. 14: Two more Chinese newspapers, the "Shun-pao" and "Ta Kung Pao," will publish their last editions to-day, as the management of these two well-known papers have decided to close their doors to-morrow.

Both newspapers reported that they have received communications from Japanese censors asking them to submit proofs for persual before publication, and publicity should be given to the so-called "Tatao City Government" and other organisations. These latter bodies should in no way be ridiculed.

The "Tatao" government is functioning in Pootung.—*Reuter.*

NEW COUNTY COURT JUDGE

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Mr. W. Lawson Campbell to be the Judge of the County on Circuit No. 35 (Cambridge, &c.) in succession to Judge Farrant.

Mr. Campbell was called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn in November, 1914, and has practised on the Midland Circuit. The salary of a Country Court Judge is £1,500.

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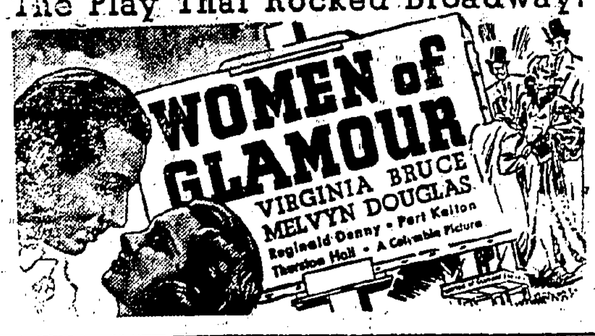

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SOVIET AIR EXERCISES

Moscow, December 13.

The Soviet air force caried out manoeuvres on a big scale during the past few days under the personal direction of Marshal Bluecher, Commander-in-Chief of the Soviet Forces in the Far East. The manoeuvres ended on Monday.

According to newspaper accounts all the leading airmen in the Soviet Air Force took part in the exercises which were designed to gain experience in flying under semi-Arctic conditions.—*Transocean News Service.*

Barbara Stanwyck may not make "Giant Swing" for Zanuck, after all. No suitable leading man.

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John Cromwell is suing Sam Goldwyn over his withdrawal from the direction of "Marco Polo."

CONTEMPT OF COURT!

Thunder and lightning caused the Singapore Assizes to be adjourned for 15 minutes on a recent afternoon.

When a storm broke soon after the afternoon resumption, thunder shook the building and drowned counsels' and interpreters' voices.

Mr. Justice Horne: I think it would be better to adjourn for 15 minutes until the storm blows over.

The Deputy Prosecutor: I think so too, your Lordship.

During the interval, disinfectant was used in the Jury's box to drive away mosquitoes.

Lee Tracy may turn down a good Broadway offer to do "The Spellbinder" for Columbia. It's about a clever lawyer who is no good at addressing a jury, so hires a stand-in to do his oratory for him.

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Eden Informs House On Yangtse Attacks

Emphasises Incidents' Seriousness; Grave Issues Involved

Britain In Consultation With United States

London, Dec. 13.

In the House of Commons, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, answering a private notice question, said: "I regret to say several attacks were made yesterday by Japanese forces on foreign shipping, including His Majesty's Ships, on the Yangtse River

"The concentration of British merchant shipping, with H.M.S. Cricket and Scarab in company, at a spot between Nanking and Wuhu, were attacked with bombs three times but fortunately without a hit being registered. His Majesty's Ships opened fire in return with no reported result.

"At Wuhu, further incidents took place. H.M.S. Ladybird, while proceeding to join the British tug which had been attacked by machine-gun fire, was fired on by a field-gun battery. Four direct hits were sustained by H.M.S. Ladybird, and I deeply regret to have to report that one naval rating was killed. There were in addition several casualties, including the Flag Captain."

A MISTAKE

"The same battery had been firing at merchant ships, and at least one British merchant ship was hit. H.M.S. Bee, which arrived shortly after, was also fired upon but was not hit.

"The Senior Naval Officer landed and made a strong protest to the senior Japanese military officer, who stated that firing on the warships was a mistake but that he had orders to fire at every ship on the river.

"The Japanese civil, military and naval authorities in Shanghai were immediately informed, and have undertaken to warn Japanese forces in the field.

Meanwhile, His Majesty's Ambassador in Tokyo has made the strongest protest to the Minister for Foreign Affairs, who has promised to make an immediate enquiry.

GRAVE ISSUES

"The seriousnes of these incidents need no emphasis, but in view of the grave issues involved I hope that the House will not ask me for any fuller statement to-day."

In reply to a further question whether information had been received of similar attacks on United States ships, Mr. Eden said, "I regret to say that the United States gunboat which was also attacked has actually been sunk with, it appears, loss of life." He added that the British and United States Governments were in communication on the subject of these attacks.

Mr. Eden conferred with the Prime Minister this morning. The Yangtse incidents were discussed when the United States Charge D'Affaires visited the Foreign Office to-day.

The Japanese Foreign Minister called on the British Ambassador at Tokyo this afternoon to express the deep regret of the Japanese Government at firing on British vessels in the Yangtse and the loss of life and injury caused.—*British Wireless.*

TRIPLE ATTACK

Mr. Anthony Eden, in a reply to a question by Mr. Clement Attlee, detailed the triple bomb attack on the concentrations of British merchant shipping, which was accompanied by the warships Cricket and Scarab between Nanking and Wuhu. Fortunately, said the Foreign Secretary, no hit was registered and the British warships opened fire in return (Cheers) with no reported result. There were further incidents at Wuhu where there were warships. H.M.S. Ladybird, while proceeding to join a British tug which had been machine-gunned, was fired on by a field gun battery.

The Ladybird, said Mr. Eden, sustained four direct hits, and he deeply regretted to reported that a naval rating was killed. There were several other casualties, including the Flag Captain. The same battery had been firing on merchant ships and at least one British merchantman was hit.

STRONG PROTEST

H.M.S. Bee, which arrived shortly after was also fired on but not hit. The Senior Naval Officer landed and strongly protested to the senior Japanese military officer, who stated that the firing on the warships was a mistake, and he had orders to fire at every ship on the river. The Japanese civil, military and naval authorities at Shanghai were immediately informed and they undertook to warn the Japanese forces in the field.

Meanwhile Sir Robert Craigie had made a very strong protest to the Japanese Foreign Minister, who promised to make an immediate inquiry.—*Reuter.*

Hong Kong Defences Under Review, Says Inskip

London, Dec. 13.

In the House of Commons today, Lieut-Commander R. T. H. Fletcher (Lab.) asked when was the last joint inquiry by representatives of the three defence Services into the question of the defence of Hong Kong, and if the Minister for Defence was satisfied that the British forces there were sufficient for the defence of the Colony, having regard to the existing state of affairs in the Far East.

Sir Thomas Inskip, Minister for Defence replied that British defended ports overseas, including Hong Kong, were kept constantly under review by an appropriate sub-committee of the Imperial Defence Committee, on which all of the three Services were represented.

Lieut.-Comdr. Fletcher asked if the advisability of reinforcing the China Squadron had recently been considered, and was it not desirable to have some capital ships in these waters at present.

Sir Thomas Inskip suggested that Lieut.-Comdr. Fletcher give notice of the question as he did similarly to the question whether the strengthening of the China Squadron had not a direct bearing on the defence of Hong Kong.

PANAY BOMBING PREMEDITATED

French Newspaper's Frank Allegation

Paris, Dec. 13.

"If the facts as related by telegrams from the Far East are true, they describe an illegal action which could not be allowed in any organised society or civilised state," says "Le Temps" in a leader dealing with the Japanese attacks on foreign shipping.

"The latest incidents at Nanking are of a particularly grave nature as it is a question of real acts of hostility against British and American warships without any provocation on their part. It is understandable that a warlike act against the gunboat Panay should cause the greatest concern in Washington."

PREMEDITATED

The leader adds that there is reason to believe the incidents were premeditated acts on the part of certain Japanese forces, and declares that British, American and French warships have absolute right to be in the Yangtse. The Governments principally interested in Far Eastern affairs had given sufficient proof of goodwill for it to be impossible to suspect them of wanting to use the present crisis as a pretext for checking Japan and forcing her in a general war.

The leader concludes with a warning to Japan against taking action which could not be allowed by Powers who have any sense of their dignity and duty in protecting foreign nationals.—*Reuter.*

CIVILIANS LOSING VOICE

London, Dec. 14: Hitherto, feeling in Britain has been admirably restrained, but any belief in Japan's self-proclaimed mission to "introduce stability into the Far East" must considerably and irrevocably be forfeited in Western eyes by the reckless manner in which she has carried on in this still undeclared war, declares the "Daily Telegraph" in an editorial commenting on the attacks on British and American gunboats.

There may be genuine regret in Tokyo, that individual officers had exceeded orders, says the paper, but there is no indication whatever that this policy is being modified however frequently regrets are expressed when the wrong ship is the target.

Moreover, it is clear that civilian opinion in Japan is losing what little restraining influence it might still hold over the service Junta, says the journal, which adds that Count Ishii, who is on a goodwill tour of Europe, is now disowned by the Government in Tokyo.—*Reuter.*

MINISTERS CONFER

Paris, Dec. 13.

M. de Tessan, French Foreign Under-Secretary received the United States Ambassador, Mr. William Bullitt to-day and it is understood they discussed the Yangtse incidents.

Political circles believe that France and Britain will support America, but at present are waiting to see definitely what she intends to do.—*Reuter.*

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MISSIONARIES BELIEVED MURDERED

Peiping, Dec. 14.

Three American missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Harsh and Miss Meher, who disappeared on December 2 from the Japanese-occupied town of Shouyang on a night-time errand of mercy, are believed to have been murdered.—*Reuter.*

BUS FIRED ON NEAR NAZARETH

Haifa, Dec. 13.

Eight persons were injured, four very seriously, when a Jewish bus was heavily fired on near Nazareth to-day.—*Reuter.*

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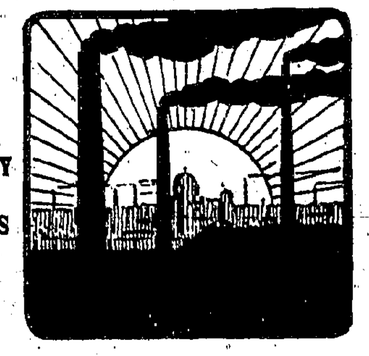

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Surg. Comdr. A. G. Bee, L.R.C.P. and S., placed on Retd. List at own request (Nov. 30); Lieut. F. Colston placed on Retd. List (Nov. 30); Teleg. Lieut. W. E. Noss placed on Retd. List (Nov. 30); Wt. Shipt. E. A. Gunningham to be Cd. Shipt. (Nov. 30).

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S ROYAL NAVAL NURSING SERVICE

The follg. probationary Nursing Sisters have been confirmed in their appointments with seny. as stated:—Miss E. M. Blair (April 12); Miss D. G. Dowsett (April 24); Miss S. Kirkpatrick (May 1); Miss A. J. A. Davies (May 1); Miss I. C. R. Kempson (May 6).

WAR OFFICE, NOV. 30
REGULAR ARMY

Maj.-Gen. J. J. B. Tapley, C.B., D.S.O., late R.A.V.C., on completion of his term of appt as Dir.-Gen. A.V. Serv., is placed in ret. pay (Dec. 1).

The follg. Lt.-Cols. to be Cols.:—C. G. Phillips, D.S.O., M.C., h.p., late W. York R. (Nov. 28), with seny. July 1, 1936; A. H. Morse, h.p., late R.E. (Nov. 30).

COMMANDS AND STAFF

The follg. relinquish their appts.: Maj.-Gen. A. I. Musson, C.B., R.A.P.C., as Chief Paymr. at the War Office and Inspr. of Army Pay Offices (Nov. 28); Maj.-Gen. J. J. B. Tapley, C.B., D.S.O., as Dir.-Gen., A.V. Servs. (Dec. 1); Maj. W. L. E. Reynolds, M.C., R.A.M.C., as Dep. Asst. Dir.-Gen., Army Med. Servs., War Office (Dec. 1); Capt. N. E. V. Patterson, R.E., as Staff Capt., War Office (Dec. 1); Lt. A. J. W. Grubb, R.A., as A.D.C. to G.O.C.-in-C., W. Comd. (Dec. 1).

The follg. appts. are made:—Maj.-Gen. A. F. Brooke, C.B., D.S.O., from Dir. of Mil. Trng., War Office, to be Comdr., Mobile Div. (Nov. 24); Maj.-Gen. H. G. Riley, R.A.P.C., to be Chief Paymr. at the War Office and Inspr. of Army Pay Offices (Nov. 28); Col. (temp. Brig.) P. C. S. Hobart, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., from Dep. Dir. of Staff Duties, to be Dir. of Mil. Trng., War Office, and retains the temp. rank of Brig. while so empld. (Nov. 24); Maj. R. Murphy, M.B., R.A.M.C., to be Dep. Asst. Dir.-Gen., Army Med. Servs., War Office (Dec. 1); Capt. D. A. Seagrim, Green Howards, to a Spec. Appt. (Cl. FF) (temp.) (Nov. 19).

CAVALRY

5th Innis. D.G.—Lt. R. W. A. Northey resigns his commn. (Nov. 29).

15th/19th H.—Sec. Lt. D. St. G. Martin to be Lt. (Dec. 1).

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

Capt. C. G. Bicknell, M.C., is secd. while empld. with the British Mil. Mission, Egyptian Army (Nov. 11).

The follg. Capts. are restd. to the estabt.:—P. K. Powell (Nov. 11); D. Campbell (Dec. 1).

Lt. C. V. Hodgson is secd. while holding the appt. of A.D.C. to the G.O.C.-in-C., S. Comd., India (Oct. 21); Lt. R. C. Grimshaw is restd., to the estabt. (Dec. 1).

CORPS OF ROYAL ENGINEERS

The follg. Lt.-Cols. on completion of four years' serv. as Regtl. Lt.-Cols., are placed on the h.p. list:—A. H. Morse (Nov. 30); G. de C. E. Findlay, V.C., M.C. (Dec. 1).

Maj. B. D. Peake to be Lt.-Col. (Nov. 30); Maj. and Bt. Col. C. M. Simpson, M.C., A.M.I.E.E., to be Lt.-Col. and Bt. Col. (Dec. 1); Mech. Sergt.-Maj. Reginald Cecil Jarratt to be Lt. (I.R.E.M.) (Dec. 1).

FOOT GUARDS

S. G'ds.—Lt. Lord Lovat resigns his commn. (Dec. 1).

INFANTRY

King's Own R.—Lt. (Qr.-Mr.) W. Parkinson to be Capt. (Qr.-Mr.) (Dec. 1).

R. Norfolk R.—Lt. A. R. C. Butterworth resigns his commn. (Dec. 1).

Lincoln R.—Capt. C. Pennack retires on ret. pay (Dec. 1); Lt. C. A. R. Johnson to be Capt., and remains secd. (Dec. 1).

W. York R.—Lt.-Col. C. G. Phillips, D.S.O., M.C., on completion of his period of serv. in comd., is placed on the h.p. list (Nov. 28); Maj. H. E. Pickering, M.C., to be Lt.-Col. (Nov. 28); Capt. W. E. H. Spicer to be Maj. (Nov. 28).

Green Howards.—Capt. G. W. Eden is secd. for serv. on the Staff, India (Nov. 1).

R.S. Fus.—Sec. Lt. P. T. Bush resigns his commn. (Dec. 1).

P.W. Vols.—Lt. L. D. Ozzard Low is secd. for serv. with the I.A.O.C. (Oct. 29).

Black Watch.—Lt. B. E. Fergusson is secd. whilst holding a Spec. Appt. (Oct. 5).

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS

Short Service Commission.—The appt. of Lt. J. G. M. A. Brunet is antedated to Oct. 9, 1934, under the prov. of Art. 36, Royal Warrant for Pay and Promotion, 1931, but not to carry pay and allces. prior to Jan. 4, 1935; Lieut. J. G. M. A. Brunet to be Capt. (Jan. 4, 1936), with seny. Oct. 9, 1935 (substituted for the notifn. in the "Gazette" of Jan. 14, 1936).

ROYAL ARMY PAY CORPS

Maj.-Gen. and Chief Paymr. A. I. Musson, C.B., having attained the age for retirement, is placed on ret. pay (Nov. 28).

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Col. and Chief Paymr. H. G. Riley to be Maj.-Gen.; Lt.-Col. and Staff Paymr. H. Golding, O.B.E., to be Col. and Chief Paymr.; Capt. (Bt. Maj.) and Paymr. B. L. Burgess to be Maj. and Staff Paymr.

ROYAL ARMY VETERINARY CORPS

Lt. R. H. Duff is placed on the h.p. list on account of ill-health (Dec. 1).

THE ARMY DENTAL CORPS

Short Service Commission.—Lt. S. J. Gittings to be Capt. (Dec. 1).

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S IMPERIAL MILITARY NURSING SERVICE

Sisters Miss M. M. Condie resigns her appt. (Nov. 30); Sister Miss H. J. Jones having attained the age for retirement is placed on ret. pay (Dec. 1).

The follg. Staff Nurses to be Sisters:—Miss L. A. Hudson (Oct. 28); Miss N. Kirkpatrick (Oct. 28); Miss E. I. M. Sudmerson, Miss P. G. Bennett (Oct. 31); Provl. Staff Nurse Miss F. H. Stewart is confirmed in her appt. (Oct. 31).

The follg. to be Staff Nurses on provl. appt.:—Miss F. Z. Kent (Nov. 30); Miss B. M. Underhill (Dec. 1).

ESTABLISHMENTS

Sen. Off. Sch.—Maj. and Bt. Lt.-Col. K. G. McLean, R.E., to be G.S.O. 2nd Grade (Nov. 16).

Small Arms Sch.—Capt. C. A. R. Johnson, Lincoln R., Off. for Tech. Duties (Col. GG), to be (Cl. FF), Netheravon Wing (Dec. 1).

Small Arms Inspn. Dept.—Capt. A. P. Lane, Loyal R., from Asst. Inspr. (Cl. FF) to be (Cl. CC) (Sept. 23).

MEMORANDA

Lt.-Col. E. H. M. de Stacpoole, M.C., h.p., late R. Scots, retires on ret. pay (Dec. 1); Capt. R. J. Maunsell, R. Tank Corps, is granted the local rank of Maj. whilst spec. empld. (Nov. 30).

THE SERVICES

(By The Air Mail, London Dec. 4.)

ROYAL NAVY

SIGNALLING PRACTICE

Extracts from the reports of signalling practice between ships of the Royal Navy and British merchant vessels for the quarter ended June 30 show that 1,177 successful exercises were carried out and that there were only two failures to establish communication.

The 1st Destroyer Flotilla, Mediterranean, took first place in order of merit with 65 exercises; H.M.S. Weston, East Indies, was second with 55; the aircraft-carrier Hermes, en route from China to England, had 54; and H.M.S. Emerald, East Indies, 52. On the mercantile side the British Tanker Company's vessels had 110 exercises; those of the Ellerman Lines, 87; the Ocean Steamship Company, 73; and the P. and O. Company, 69.

APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments have been made by the Admiralty:—

Capts.—R. B. T. Miles, to Defiance (Jan. 4); D. A. Budgen, to President, as Director of the Tactical Division (Jan. 5); H. H. Bousfield, to Manchester (Jan. 17); M. J. Mansergh, to President, for course at Imperial Defence College (Jan. 18).

Lt.-Cdr.—R. W. Wainewright, to Centurion (Dec. 14).

Surgn. Lt.-Cdr.—J. J. Benson, L.R.C.P. and S., to Hermes (Dec. 5).

Lts.—M. R. E. Faning, to Wildfire (Dec. 1); J. A. V. Hickley, to Foresight (Dec. 7); A. H. C. Gordon Lennox, to Pembroke, for Signal School (Dec. 13); J. R. Wilson, to Shikari (Dec. 14); R. E. N. Kearney, to Ajax (Dec. 20); A. Kennett, to Ganges (Jan. 3); E. P. F. Atkinson, to Malaya; T. Emmanuel, to Delhi (undated).

PROMOTIONS

Lt. (E).—H. Greenwood, to rank of Lt.-Cdr. (E) (seny. Dec. 1).

Wt. Shipt.—E. A. Gunningham, to rank of Cd. Shipt. (seny. Nov. 30).

THE ARMY

MOBILE DIVISION

The headquarters of the Mobile Division have been placed at Salisbury, under Major-General A. F. Brooke, C.B., D.S.O., who has taken up the comand.

The G.S.O.1 is Colonel H. H. Dean, from the 3rd Tank Battalion, and the Assistant Adjutant and Quarter-Master-General is Colonel B. O. Hutchison, from the 10th Royal Hussars. Of the brigades, the 2nd Cavalry Brigade is concentrated on the Plain, together with half of the 1st Tank Brigade, the other half of which will join from Farnborough and Lydd in the training season. The 1st Cavalry Brigade, at Aldershot, will join the division for training in the summer.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

SQUADRON COMMANDS

New commanding officers are appointed in the list published to three of the squadrons formed under the expansion scheme.

Wing Commander L. G. le B. Croke, after two years in the Directorate of Technical Development, Air Ministry, where he is succeeded by Wing Commander H. W. Heslop, O.B.E., from the aircraft-carrier Glorious, takes command of No. 233 (General Reconnaissance) Squadron at Thornaby. He formerly commanded No. 100 (Torpedo Bomber) Squadron, which he took out to Singapore in 1933.

Wing Commander O. C. Bryson, M.C., D.F.C., A.M., from the command of No. 3 School of Technical Training at Manston, goes to No. 214 (Bomber) Squadron at Feltwell, Suffolk, to succeed Wing Commander D. F. Lucking, who has gone to the Home Aircraft Depot for engineer duties. His last unit command was of No. 5 (Army Co-operation) Squadron in India, where he gained a Bar to the D.F.C for operations on the North-West Frontier.

Squadron Leader V. Q. Blackden, hitherto Senior Personnel Staff Officer with No. 5 (Bomber) Group, will command No. 107 (Bomber) Squadron at Harwell, Berks. Here he succeeds Squadron Leader E. A. Healy, who becomes maintenance liaison officer with No. 22 (Army Co-operation) Group at Farnborough. Squadron Leader Blackden graduated from Cranwell in 1926 and has had five and a half year's service in Inam.

AIR ATTACHE IN BERLIN

The Air Ministry announces the appointment of Acting Group Captain J. L. Vachell, M.C., to the special duty list as Air Attache in Berlin, in succession to Group Captain F. P. Don, O.B.E., who has held the post for three years.

Group Captain Vachell was among the officers in attendance on the party of German Air Force officers which visited this country last month. He had formerly commanded the R.A.F. station at Leconfield. Educated at Repton and University College, Cardiff, he was commissioned in August, 1914, to the 4th Welsh Brigade of the R.F.A., T.F., and was seconded to the R.F.C. in November, 1916, after flying instruction in Egypt. Later he served with No. 15 Squadron, and gained the M.C. for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty. He has had post-War service in India, Aden, and Iraq, and has graduated at the Staff Colleges at Andover and Quetta, and also at the Imperial Defence College.

APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments in the Royal Air Force are notified:—

GENERAL DUTIES BRANCH

Wing Commanders.—L. G. le B. Croke, to No. 233 (General Reconnaissance) Squadron, Thornaby, to command (Nov. 8); A. J. Rankin, O.B.E., A.F.C., to Headquarters No. 1 (Bomber) Group, Abingdon, for Air Staff duties (Nov. 1); O. C. Bryson, M.C., D.F.C., A.M., to No. 214 (Bomber) Squadron, Feltwell, to command (Oct. 29); H. W. Heslop, O.B.E., to Directorate of Technical Development, Air Ministry (Nov. 8); (Act. G/Capt.) J. L. Vachell, M.C., to Special Duty List, on appointment as Air Attache, Berlin (Nov. 1).

Squadron Leaders.—A. Hesketh, D.F.C., to Headquarters, No. 23 (Training) Group, Grantham, for Air Staff duties (Nov. 15); R. W. Hill, Headquarters, Training Command, Market Drayton, for photographic duties (Nov. 13); O. B. Swain, to Directorate of Training, Air Ministry, vice S/Ldr. J. Marson (Nov. 18); E. A. Healy, to Headquarters, No. 22 (Army Co-operation) Group, South Farnborough, for Air Staff (Maintenance Liaison) duties (Nov. 1); E. D. MacL. Hopkins, to Directorate of Armament Development, Air Ministry (Nov. 15); A. H. Wheeler, to Headquarters, Bomber Command, Uxbridge, for Air Staff duties (Nov. 14); J. Marson, to Superintendent of the Reserve, Hendon, for armament duties (Nov. 10); V. Q. Blackden, to No. 107 (Bomber) Squadron, Harwell, to command (Nov. 1).

CIVIL SERVANTS TAKE TO AIR

90 Members In New Flying Club

The Civil Service Flying Association, which began practical work only four months ago, has about 90 members, among whom are a number of women. Nine members have qualified for the Air Ministry's "A" Certificate.

I visited West Malling aerodrome, where Civil Servants are instructed in flying. The roof of one of the aerodrome buildings bears the name "Maidstone Air Port." Maidstone is about five miles away, writes the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" air correspondent.

Members come from offices in Whitehall and from other Government buildings in London and Outer London. Many earn salaries in which the cost of flying instruction makes a big hole.

The terms on which they join the association and learn to fly are, however, easy. The average cost is about £12. This includes an entrance fee of one guinea, the cost of the Royal Aero Club or Air Ministry certificate, and the essential outfit of flying helmet, goggles and earphones.

The enthusiasm of the beginners is refreshing. It is that of the early days of flying. Some travel from town by coach to within a mile and a half and walk the rest of the way to the club.

"FOOL USED AS TOOL"

Youth Bound Over By Magistrate

Described by the prosecution as a fool who had been used as a tool, Ho Wah, 20, unemployed, was given a chance by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday when he appeared on charges of obtaining money by virtue of a forged document, and simple larceny of a book of workmen's tickets from Li Lung, foreman in the Kiu Lee Contractors' Firm of No. 98 Lockhart Road.

Detective-Sergeant J. Bentley said defendant was formerly a fokl employed by the complainant but had been dismissed at the end of last month. On December 12 he sent an elderly man named Lai Si to the complainant's firm and there obtained $1 on a workman's chit.

The secretary of the firm was doubtful and rang up the complainant who arrived and had the man arrested. Enquiries were made and the defendant apprehended and charged. Sergeant Bentley said defendant had probably been used as a tool by workmen. There was no reason why he should have done a thing like that. His uncle had promised him a job in a respectable firm of contractors.

Chan Wah, the uncle, was brought before His Worship and on his agreeing to stand as security, His Worship bound the defendant over in the sum of $100 for a year.

WOMAN'S FORGED BANKNOTES

Three charges in connection with forged banknotes were preferred against Fung Sui, 25, married woman, residing at No. 253 Hollywood Road, when she appeared before Mr. R.A.D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday. They were (a) uttering a forged $10 Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank note at the Sookunpoo Football Ground on December 11, (b) uttering a forged $10 Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank note at the Naval Football Ground, Causeway Bay, on December 12 and (c) possession of a forged $10 Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank note on the Naval Football Ground on December 12.

Detective-Sergeant J. Bentley asked for a week's formal remand, the case being for committal. This was granted.

SONS ARGUE BEFORE FATHER

At the hearing of a workman's compensation case in the Newfoundland Supreme Court on October 21, says the "Times," Mr. Justice Higgins presided. One of his sons appeared for the claimant and another son represented the defendant company.—From the "Solicitors' Journal."

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FUNERAL OF MR. A. E. MOYHING

The funeral of Mr. Arthur Edward Moyhing, aged 49, a refugee from Shanghai who died at the Queen Mary Hospital on Sunday took place at the Happy Valley cemetery yesterday.

The Rev. Rosenthal, of Christ Church, Kowloon Tong, took the service.

Mr. Moyhing who was educated at the Diocesan Boys' School, Hong Kong, went to Shanghai many years ago where he made his home. His wife who also came with him to Hong Kong as a refugee returned to Shanghai about a fortnight ago. He also leaves seven children with all of whom much sympathy will be felt. Mr. Moyhing's mother is in America and he has a brother in Chungking.

Wreaths were sent by the following.—Jim and Maud, Mrs. M. Emery, Mrs. and Mrs. Starling Jex, Mrs. and Mrs. J. Lee, Tom, Mrs. and Mrs. Wong Ting, Mrs. William Naughton, Miss F. June, Mabel and Bill, Rose and Hope, Jim and Maud, Mrs. E. Lee and family and H. E. Moyhing.

WRONG ANCHORAGE

Newcomer Boatman Cautioned

Ng Shek-lau, aged 22, master of Class 4 boat No. 1453V, was cautioned by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of anchoring his boat in other than a dangerous goods anchorage while having such goods on board, and with failing to report clearance to te Harbour Master.

Sergeant Estall said the defendant was a newcomer to the Colony and did not know the laws and customs. He was obviously an ignorant man and the reason why the charge had been taken out was because he had anchored his boat amidst a lot of other sampans in Aberdeen Harbour, and as he had 105 tins of kerosene oil on board, there was an element of danger in his action.

In registering a caution His Worship warned defendant as to what he had to do in future.

HEALTH RETURNS

Four cases of dysentery and one each of small-pox and enteric fever were reported to the Health Authorities for the 24 hours ended on Monday.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, $200.00 in cash.—This sum will be refunded on payment of the purchase price.

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HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the above Society will be held at the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (by kind permission), on Tuesday, the 14th December, 1937, at 5.15 p.m.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.

Hong Kong, 1st Dec., 1937.

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THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on Saturday, 18th December, 1937, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 13th Dec., 1937.

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PROPAGANDA

China has won the admiration of the entire world by the decision to carry the war of resistance against Japanese aggression to the bitter end. From the date of the Lukuochiao incident, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has courageously and tenaciously adhered to the policy that China values her territorial integrity as much as any other nation and that her national honour will be defended at all costs. The manner in which the invading armies gained such easy access to and control of Peiping and Tientsin remains a mystery, but it is a particularly heartening reflection to those in the south that wherever southern troops were pitted against the Japanese, the struggle was long and bitter, and in the case of Shanghai at any rate, it was only the superior equipment and armaments of the invaders which proved the deciding factor. Man for man, the Chinese is an infinitely better fighter, so that the loss of Shanghai was no disgrace. Indeed its defence will go down to history as an epic of Chinese bravery and grit. Bearing that fact in mind, and bearing in mind also that China's great leaders are perfectly confident of being able to resist the Japanese for two years at least, it is more than probable that by the end of that time China will emerge from the great ordeal more unified and strengthened in soul, though weakened in substance. And, after all, it is the soul of the nation that matters.

That being so, the crafty Nipponese will explore every avenue to break the unity which has manifested itself among the leaders of China to-day. That has been the Japanese policy in the past, but in the future such efforts will be redoubled through the mediums, first of gold and second of propaganda. There is already ample evidence that gold is not proving such a successful bait as the Japanese had hoped and that they are now turning more assiduously to propaganda. The reported resignation of the Generalissimo, the fall of Nanking, stories of disunity in South China—all these, if pursued, can be traced to Japanese origins. This is merely the beginning of a series of scurrilous and scandalous rumours that will, from time to time, be disseminated from the Japanese propaganda headquarters concerning China. But the world will not be fooled by them, nor, we emphatically assert, the Chinese masses, who must now, with united effort, stick together and work wholeheartedly in the common cause. No story could have been invented better calculated to cause more abject misery and despair in China and among all Chinese the world over than the report of Marshal Chiang's resignation. Its purpose, clearly, was to bring discredit on the man who, as guardian of China's national honour, refused to sell it or be bullied into parting with it meekly, and to tell the world and the Chinese people that their great hero had forsaken them in the hour of trial. The psychological effect of the story is certain to remain in some quarters and will not easily be eradicated. Friends of China must even now be wondering whether, after all, Generalissimo Chiang will forsake China sooner or later. That is where the mischief lies. Thus, we take this opportunity of warning the Chinese people in general and the world in particular to beware of the type of propaganda under reference. The Generalissimo is first and last a patriot and he will live or fall with China. To the Chinese our message at this time of crisis is: Be proud of your nationality and your nation. History is being made in China. Be courageous and steadfast and you will win through.

ENGAGEMENT

PALMER—WOOD.—Mr. and Mrs. W. Cameron Wood announce the engagement of their elder daughter, Kathleen, to Norman, only son of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Palmer, of Carbis Bay, Cornwall, England (late of Shanghai).

MARRIAGE

TESKE-TULENEFF.—On December 7, 1937, at the German Consulate-General, Shanghai, Dr. Katherine Tuleneff to Erich Teske.

BIRTHS

LAIDLAW.—At British General Hospital on November 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Laidlaw, a daughter, Margaret Anne.

BJERGFELT.—On December 5, 1937, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai to Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Bjergfelt, a son.

GAMBLING.—On December 8, 1937, at the Shanghai Sanitarium, to Winifred wife of Geoffrey Gambling, a daughter.

DEATHS

HUGHES.—On October 21, 1937, at her home in Santa Barbara, California, Jessie O. Hughes, beloved wife of William Hughes.

BRYANT.—On November 24, 1937, at Mackenzie Memorial Hospital, Tientsin, Rev. Evan Evans Bryant, B.A., B.D., of the London Mission, Tsangchow. Age 59 years.

LAWSON GREY.—On December 3, 1937, at Comrie, Perthshire, Mrs. E. Lawson Grey, widow of Capt. E. Lawson Grey, late of Shanghai.

BASTON.—On December 5, 1937, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, John Punton Baston, aged 43 years, the dearly-beloved husband of Mrs. Bertha Baston.

COMPTON.—On December 6, 1937, at House 2, 15 Carter Road, Shanghai, Ellen Jane Compton, aged 65 years, widow of John Samuel Compton, late of Wenchow.

ROACH.—On December 6, 1937, at The Country Hospital, Shanghai, Eva Marion Roach (née Irliar), aged 34, dearly-beloved wife of Albert Henry Roach and mother of Joyce Maureen.

POPE.—On December 8, 1937, at 297 Route Dupleix, Shanghai, Mrs. A. Pope (SN.) aged 83 years, widow of the late W. L. Pope, assistant secretary, Government of India, and mother of J. J. Pope, Shanghai.

NO ANNEXATION OF AZORES

Mr. Eden Answers Italian Charge

London, Dec. 13.

Replying to a question whether he was aware of the statement published in the Government-controlled Italian press that Britain intends to annex the Azores Islands, now Portuguese territory, Mr. Eden said in Commons, "I am aware of the publication of the statement, but I am confident it will be everywhere appreciated that no significance need be attached to fantastic statements of this kind because they are entirely devoid of foundation. In my view, fabrications of this kind only do harm to people who make them."—*British Wireless.*

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF MANCHUKUO

Heavy Industry Firm Organised

Hsinking, Dec. 14: A comprehensive Bill regulating the activities of the newly organised 400,000,000 yen heavy industry company has been approved by the Government.

The Bill which grants the firm virtual monopoly for the industrial development of Manchukuo will be passed on December 27. The concern will manufacture automobiles and aircraft and engage in the production of iron, coal, salt, lead, copper and quinine, and invest in light and power industry.

Half of the company's shares will be held by the Manchukuo Government while the rest will be distributed among Japanese investors.—*Reuter.*

500-YEAR OLD CUSTOM REVIVED

London, Dec. 14.

King George to-day celebrated his 42nd Birthday at Buckingham Palace. A 500-year-old custom was revived at Windsor when the King's Birthday was observed by the firing of a salute of 21 guns.—*British Wireless.*

SOLDIER INTO CIVILIAN

Mr. Hore-Belisha's recent statement in the House of Commons that the enlistment figures of one week taken at random showed an 80 per cent. rise upon the comparable statistics the previous year means that the War Office, with assistance from the Treasury, has been finding new ways to make Army service attractive. The improvements in barracks, to which attention has been drawn, are successfully designed to remove from life in the peace-time Army certain obsolete discomforts. The announcement now made regarding vocational training will set at rest the natural anxieties of a far-sighted recruit regarding his future when he ceases to be a soldier and is discharged into civilian life.

Up till last April there were 3,000 men trained each year at Army vocational training centres at Hounslow, Chiseldon and Aldershot, of whom between 80 and 90 per cent. found immediate employment; but those selected for such training formed a minority among the men discharged from the Service. It was accordingly decided to extend the vocational training system more widely and place all the centres under the Ministry of Labour, who would take charge when the men had left the Colours. This change, however, would have placed the ex-soldiers in the same category as other unemployed men, and they would simply have received the ordinary unemployment pay. The new measure, which is experimental, is a great improvement. Men will now be trained for the last six months of their service and will receive military emoluments, without exhausting any potential unemployment benefits. If it proves successful, 11,000 men (instead of 3,000) a year will be equipped to earn their living in civilian life.

WEDDING BELLS

Two Well-Known Families United

LEE—ZIMMERN

Two well-known local families were brought together by the marriage yesterday at St. John's Cathedral of Mr. Robert Lee and Miss Norah Zimmern. The bridegroom, who is a member of the staff of the Office Appliance Company, is the popular Interport cricketer whilst the bride, who is the only daughter of Mr. A. Zimmern, a respected Ice House Street figure, and Mrs. Zimmern, and the sister of the solicitor, Mr. F. I. Zimmern, comes from another distinguished sporting family.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was charmingly attired in a gown of white chiffon velvet, trimmed with pearls, with a coronet of silver and an 8-yard long train of delicate net. She was attended by Miss Molly Churn as bridesmaid. Mr. N. A. E. Mackay was best man.

Rev. H. W. Baines conducted the marriage service, whilst Mr. Linday Lafford was at the organ.

The 2nd Hong Kong (St. Paul's School) Company of Girl Guides, of which the bride is captain, formed a guard of honour for the newly-wedded couple as they left the church.

DR. KOTEWALL'S SPEECH

A reception was later held in the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel, where a large number of relatives and friends gathered to offer their good wishes. The principal toast was proposed by the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, who said:

"Forty-five years ago, when I was a school-boy, I was present at Old Man Zimmern's wedding. I remember that happy event vividly because two things helped to fix it in my memory. One was that, for the first time in my life, I was given a silk long coat to wear, and that garment was of a bright yellow hue. The other was that Old Zimmern bribed me to help him in getting rid of some young bucks who, although it was past midnight, were still indulging in the merry game of what is called 'teasing the bride.' I enlisted the collaboration of a sympathetic cousin of mine; we hid ourselves behind a partition and blew tin whistles whenever the merry-makers attempted to speak, until they went away in utter disgust. Old Zimmern and I have been 'sworn brothers' ever since. (Laughter.)

IMMENSE PLEASURE

"To-day" I have the immense pleasure of being present at his only daughter's wedding. When he asked me to propose the health of the happy couple "as a favour," I told him at once that I would undertake the job with a pleasure greater even than that I got out of helping him in driving away the teasers. For the bride, Norah, is a sort of niece to me, and I am very fond of her. But who is not fond of Norah? She is so good-hearted, so genuine and sensible, and always so willing to give a helping hand. Her parents dote on her; her brothers are proud of her; the servants worship her; her female friends call her "a good sort"; and her male friends occasionally punch each other's heads in strife for her smiles. Yet Norah is not spoilt.

"Though Norah's time has been fully occupied with her household duties, she has yet found it possible to captain a company of Girl Guides. Her zeal and efficiency have evoked the commendations of her superiors, and her sympathy and example have won the affection of her girls. These, then, are some of the qualities which make Norah so likeable.

GOOD SPORT

"The bridegroom, Robert Lee, is indeed lucky in having her as his life-partner. But he deserves his good fortune. Those who know Robert Lee like him. He is good-natured and obliging, quiet and modest, and a 'good sport' in every sense of the word. In the commercial world he holds a position of responsibility. In the realm of sport he achieved the distinction of playing for Hong Kong in the Interport Cricket match last year. (Applause.) In public service he does his bit as a member of the Police Reserve. One of his outstanding traits is his readiness to oblige others.

"A young fellow like that is bound to get on. I foretell for him a bright future, as I foretell for him a life of conjugal bliss. Ladies and gentlemen, I now ask you to drink with me to the health and happiness of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee." (Prolonged applause).

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee left later for the "Cheery 'Ole," Sheung Shui, where the honeymoon is being spent.

Mr. R. E. Lee, the Kowloon C.C. and Interport cricketer, and his bride, formerly Miss Norah Zimmern, photographed after their wedding at St. John's Cathedral yesterday afternoon. (Photo, Cheng Studio).

SCHOOLS' PRIZE DAY

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The King Edward Government Scholarship of the University was awarded to Patricia Ablong.

All candidates who sat for Trinity College of Music (London) examinations were successful several obtaining honours.

The Headmistress and Staff thank the parents for their helpful co-operation in promoting the existence of an harmonious spirit which is a great stimulus in preparing the students to become useful members of society.

HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL REPORT

The number of students enrolled averaged just over a hundred and the attendance was 97. Five Sisters were on the regular teaching staff, assisted by four part-time teachers.

Two classes producing noteworthy results during the year were the Oral Composition class for the older girls and the lessons in dramatic reading for the younger ones.

PHYSICAL DRILL INTEREST

This is the first year in which we can report a really keen interest in the Physical Drill classes. Credit for the improved attitude is due in part to the work of the Girl Guides. Here we may say a word of hearty appreciation of the two Guide Captains, Mrs. Herklots and her successor when she went on leave, Mrs. Chaunt.

The children have been kept conscious of their duties in the matter of social service by frequent appeals for the poor both in Hong Kong and other parts of China. Their response to the appeal for material help is always generous.

PROF. FORSTER'S SPEECH

Addressing the gathering, Prof. Forster said, in part:—

There is something to be said for the Chinese custom of ennobling not the individual who has done some great thing but his ancestors seeing that he has inherited the ability from them. I am not sure that another large fraction of the award ought not to go to the immediate parents and one's teachers who have given the guidance and instruction that have led to success.

FRIENDLY QUALITIES

A great portion of the world's work does not need a high order of intelligence, but every department of life requires the best social qualities. We have as teachers not only to fill the head, but also to fit the heart.

No nation has ever borrowed money for education. It is extraordinary that the noblest and the best constructive work in the world, that of education, should be to so large an extent dependent on philanthropic effort, while the armament business which is primarily concerned with producing the great weapons of destruction should be so liberally financed.

SIMPLE RETREAT

At Christmas time we withdraw into the quiet, simple, Christian retreat like this, where your teachers the sisters of this order have created for you a world that has little relation to the facts as they are, but certainly as they should be.

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Letters To The Editor

AGRICULTURE IN NEW TERRITORIES

(To The Editor, "The Hong Kong Daily Press")

Sir,—Lack of time prevented full development of some of the topics discussed in my address at the Rotary Club, or a reply to the questions raised by Dr. Herklots. May I further trespass on your space to clear up one or two points?

Chinese farmers working on unexhausted soils make the best farmers in the world, on account of their willingness to perform heavy labour tirelessly, and because they seem to derive a love and pleasure in causing Mother Earth to produce. But in the New Territories they are labouring under adverse conditions of acid soils, soils devoid of all humus or vegetable matter, and a five to six inch top soil worn out by continuous tillage for 600 or 700 years. The farmers require proper guidance in how to yoke, and plough with two oxen to twice the depth that they can with one, turning up the new virgin soil to sunshine and use for the first time.

This new practice, together with growing and ploughing under nitrogenous green manure crops, will add the lacking vegetable humus and double the yield.

The Chinese farmer knows how to grow pigs, but he needs pure-bred boars to build up his small sized stock. Their sway-backs and weak feet are indicative of in-breeding and lack of minerals in their feed to give strength to their bones.

Small poultry and small eggs are not a matter of feed, as Dr. Herklots suggested, but, again, the lack of new improved blood, and of large breeds producing large eggs. Distribution of pure-bred cockerels would rectify this condition. As to difficulties concerning poultry feed, there are many new varieties of grains from foreign lands which will produce poultry feed in both wet and dry seasons, and cost very little to produce, planted around the farm borders. The Chinese farmers need to be persuaded to use these grains.

In areas where there is less than one inch of rain in a year (not a month), vegetables are grown throughout the year with the help of irrigation. In my journeyings in the New Territories I have noticed numerous locations where, at little cost, many small catchment reservoirs could be built, adequate to conserve rain over the short dry season. Vegetables of one kind or another can be grown here three-quarters of the year, whereas in northern climates they can only be grown one-third of the year.

Dr. Herklots, as a student of these subjects, is doubtless aware that, in all countries, it is an established fact that vegetable growing is the most remunerative kind of agriculture, where it is adjacent to large cities.—Yours etc.,

H. S. REED.

Hong Kong, December 14.

CHINESE AND JAPANESE FORCES CLASH

Japanese Reinforcements Arrive At Kashing

Tsinan, Dec. 14: A clash occurred between Japanese and Chinese forces outside the walled city of Huimin, on the north bank of the Yellow River on December 12 noon, resulting in the defeat of the Japanese, a military report received here states.

Late in the afternoon large Japanese reinforcements equipped with tanks, armoured cars and trench mortars were rushed to the spot. To avoid a frontal attack the Chinese forces withdrew to Lanchungho and Lichifangtze, points in the vicinity. The Japanese opened a heavy fire upon the Chinese positions, the report reveals.

Early on the morning of December 13 a column of Chinese troops, the report continues, marched to the Japanese rear by a round-about route and launched a surprise attack. The Japanese beat a hasty retreat.—*Central News.*

Hangchow, Dec. 14: Seven thousand Japanese reinforcements have arrived at Kashing, important town on the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway, a report reaching here reveals.

A large number of Japanese tanks have been concentrated at Siashih, south of Kashing.—*Central News.*

Duke of Aosta, cousin to the King of Italy, who has been nominated as Marshal Grazziani's successor as Viceroy in Abyssinia.

OFFICERS SHOULD BE RECALLED

New York, Dec. 14.

What the United States has a right to demand, says the "Herald Tribune," is that the highest responsible Japanese officers be recalled and disciplined, with full publicity throughout Japan. If Tokyo cannot or dare not try to do this, there is no further point in having formal diplomatic relations with such a Government.

The "New York Times" says the Japanese Government can no more give an assurance that foreigners in China will be free from the consequences of their invasion than a burglar can give the assurance that innocent by-standers won't be shot when he loots a house.—*Reuter.*

CHINA AND THE LEAGUE

Shanghai, Dec. 13.

That China should follow Italy's step and resign from the League of Nations because of its failure to take any action in the Sino-Japanese conflict is being advocated here by an increasing number of prominent people, and the Press is also taking the same line.

The "Sin Wan Pao," one of the leading Chinese papers, declared that the League's Palace of Peace had crumbled. Geneva was no longer a magnet attracting all peoples since only the skeleton of the original League remains.

It is declared that the League had never been the democratic organisation it was intended to be, but instead a body controlled by a few strong Powers.

The tragedy of the League, the paper opines, is that every member which violates the Covernant or resolutions can withdraw, with the League playing the humiliating role of urging them to remain. The paper then said that China had been a member of the League for 17 years but "has she ever been able to utilise the League for the protection of her interests, or has she merely been exploited by certain powerful states for their own interests, and seeking their own private ends?

"China still belongs to the body, but have the other members recognised her loyalty?

The article then concludes by saying that at this late hour China must reconsider her position with regard to the League and should she conclude that she derives no benefit from her membership of the League but on the other hand she must observe the restrictions imposed on her, then there is no reason at all why she should continue membership of that body.—*Transocean News Service.*

ARMED ROBBERY IN SHUMSHUIPO

Armed with a revolver, a thief entered the Cheung Lee Yuen shop at 61, Yen Chow Street, ground floor, at 8.45 p.m. last night and after threatening the master, Chau Sam, 42, and his wife, decamped with $10 which he took from a box. The thief, who, it is stated in a police report, was joined by two others outside the shop, escaped in the direction of Fuk Wing Street. A report was circulated by the Shamshuipo Police Station.

BATTLE ONLY JUST BEGUN

Shanghai, Dec. 14.

Chinese troops in the vicinity of Nanking are fleeing up river in large numbers and are setting fire to everything as they leave, according to a Japanese army spokesman. He says that Nanking is under a huge cloud of smoke. The spokesman read a resume of the four months' hostilities, leading up to the capture of Nanking and declared that the "fall of Nanking further strengthens the strong conviction of the Japanese people that the hostilities have only just begun and will continue as long as anti-Japanese sentiment persists in China."

Cheering wildly and waving flags, Japanese residents in the Hongkew district, Shanghai, staged a monster parade to celebrate the fall of Nanking. The marchers were seen off from the starting point by the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. Okamoto, and the route included the wharf from where the paraders lustily "banzaied" the Izumo which was lying in midstream.—*Reuter.*

FALL OF NANKING

Shanghai, Dec. 13.

According to a communique issued by the Japanese Headquarters here this evening, the Japanese forces had taken complete control of Nanking. The news, however, has not yet been confirmed by detailed accounts of the actual situation in North China.

Another communique issued from the same source at a later hour states that those Japanese troops which had marched their way through the eastern gates had succeeded by Monday noon in clearing a big area of Chinese snipers and had advanced beyond the Military Academy. The fight for the possession of this building lasted several hours.

It is learned that Wang Ko-min will be head of the Executive Committee of the Provisional Government of North China which will be set up under Japanese protection. Wang is 65 years of age and at one time held the position of President of the Chinese National Bank. In 1917 he was made Chinese Finance Minister and in 1934 he appeared on the political stage again as Government Commissary in Peiping but went into retirement the following year.—*Transocean News Service.*

AIR RAID ALARM IN CANTON

Canton, Dec. 14.

The air raid sirens were sounded twice to-day. On the first occasion several Japanese planes attempted to bomb the Canton-Kowloon Railway, dropping four bombs in the neighbourhood of Cheungmuktow without doing any damage to the line.

The second "all clear" is still to sound but it is understood the C.-K.R. has not been affected.—*Reuter.*

"PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT"

Shanghai, Dec. 14: According to Japanese reports the so-called autonomous anti-Communist state of East Hopei has dissolved itself and has proclaimed allegiance to the "provisional Government of the Republic of China" established at Peking. All so-called peace maintenance commissions in Hopei including those in Peking, and Tientsin have followed suit but it is announced that the so-called autonomous governments of the provinces of Shansi and Suiyuan will not join for the present.—*Reuter.*

GENERALISSIMO ON NANKING WITHDRAWAL

Fighting Plan To Avoid Heavy Sacrifice Yet To Make Japanese Pay Dearly

Shanghai, Dec. 14.

Chinese defenders of Nanking, after withstanding intensive Japanese attacks for one week, were yesterday ordered by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to withdraw.

The withdrawal was carried out in an orderly manner and completed shortly before yesterday evening, when the Japanese forces claimed to have "completely occupied" the former capital.

The fall of Nanking came exactly four months to the day since the outbreak of the hostilities in the Shanghai area.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in a statement regarding the withdrawal of Chinese troops from Nanking, states that this does not materially affect the policy of the National Government to resist t Japanese troops to the bitter e The evacuation was undertaken in order to strengthen the Chinese positions whereby the war of resistance may effectively be continued.

NEW POSITIONS

The statement points out that since the seat of the National Government has been removed from Nanking, the city has no further military significance. The Chinese army's fighting plan is to avoid heavy sacrifice and in accordance with that plan the troops at Nanking have been ordered to withdraw to new positions where they will continue the resistance.

No information is available regarding the routes the withdrawing army took, but it is presumed the bulk of the troops went up river by boats and launches.

Fighting desperately to stem the Japanese attacks a small force of Chinese troops is understood to have been left at Nanking when the main body of the army withdrew. These troops, it was reported last night, were still holding Hsiakwan, the waterfront district between the walled city and the Yangtse, but unless they slipped out last night, they will be in a very precarious position to-day when their retreat by the river, now their only means of escape, may be cut off by the Japanese warships which are steaming up from Chinkiang.

MATSUI MOUNTED

General Matsui is expected to enter Nanking within a week mounted on a charger, in the traditional manner of a conqueror. Meanwhile elated residents of Hongkew will celebrate the fall of Nanking to-day with a victory parade through the streets in Hongkew district.

Starting a rally in an open space near Hongkew market, the parade will wind through the various streets. Among places which the procession will pass are the Japanese Naval Landing Party headquarters, the Japanese military attache's office, the Japanese Consulate-General and the flagship Izumo, which is berthed next to the Japanese Consulate.—*Reuter.*

DOG OFFENCES

R. Millar, residing at No. 3B, Prat Avenue, was fined $10 by Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Police Court yesterday for allowing his black and white terrier to wander in Chatham Road on December 1 without lead or muzzle.

A fine of $5 was imposed on Mrs. T. H. Davies of No. 12B, Carnarvon Road for a similar offence.

LONDON PRESS REVIEW FAR EASTERN SITUATION

London, Dec. 14.

The London Press speaks this morning in a singularly united voice, demanding in one form or another stronger action in the Far East.

In a strongly worded editorial the "Daily Telegraph" says that British opinion will not be satisfield with any less satisfaction than President Roosevelt has demanded on behalf of the United States, namely full reparation.

The "Daily Herald" foreshadows joint Anglo-American diplomatic action and says it is all a question now of whether the peaceful nations have the wit and courage to hang together.

The "News-Chronicle" diplomatic correspondent professes to see a tactical move in the attacks on foreign shipping, triumphal marches, etc., designed to make the white man "lose face," and thus destroy the resistance of the Chinese, who believe the western nations are compelled in their own interests ultimately to help China against Japan. The correspondent says the conviction is growing in British circles that meek acceptance of Japanese apologies will not discourage the Japanese militarists from fresh acts of aggression. The argument that the attacks are accidental are no longer accepted.

The "News-Chronicle" in a leader calls for an immediate anti-Japanese embargo on the ground that the only real restraint is joint action effectively to diminish Japan's war power.

The "Daily Mail" says that in any remonstrance or demand the British Government thinks fit to make, it can count on the fullest support of the nation.

"WANTON OUTRAGES"

The London "Times" in a leader draws a distinction between the firing on the British gunboats and the sinking of the Panay though both were wanton outrages. As regards the former the "Times" expresses the opinion that it might be pleaded that General Hashimoto had lost touch with his headquarters in his rapid advance and felt disorientate and uncertain of himself and in the circumstances thought the best thing to do was to open fire on the British flag at a range of four hundred yards, but these excuses were invalid for the airmen who took off from bases where relevant information was available and indiscriminately bombed foreign shipping and power-dived within a short distance, with the American flag painted on the Panay's deck. It is difficult to decide which is more discreditable—the assumption that the Japanese air force did not know what they were doing or the assumption that they did.

The past few months had provided scores of cases of Japanese irresponsibility, all on the same bland formal pattern—outrage, apology and then outrage again. No plea of mere technical miscalculation can exonerate the bombers and batteries which went into action deliberately against the British and American warships during the week-end. The sinking of the Panay and its attendant incidents are an indelible stain on the honour of a Power whose armed forces once boasted a peerless tradition. The fact that the American Government are assessing the situation calmly and deliberately does not mean that they are any the less concerned than their shocked public over the serious wanton affront to their national prestige. America sometimes seem inclined to under-estimate her interests in the Far East which are at present smaller materially, psychologically and strategically than Great Britain's, but America's destinies are far more closely linked with China's than are the British for she faces an Eastern Asia across a sea whose dimensions virtually contract with every stride in scientific invention.

For the present our interests are the same and America, who for the moment is the nation which is most directly aggrieved, can unquestionably count and rely on Britain for support in any action she may be called on to take.—*Reuter.*

JAPANESE PROMISE SAFE TRIP

For Survivors Of Panay

Shanghai, Dec. 14: Mr. James Marshall, of Collier's, has arrived in Wuhu and has gone into hospital. His condition is not serious.

The Japanese gunboat Hodzu II and Japanese destroyers, which are the first Japanese warships to pass Nanking since the war, are expected to arrive at Hohsien this afternoon from Chinkiang, while a hugh Japanese flying boat from Shanghai with doctors, nurses, medical supplies and food is believed to have already arrived.

The survivors are expected to return to Hohsien from Hanshan at 4 p.m., when the U.S.S. Oahu and other warships expect to take a party aboard immediately. Attempts are being made to gather up possible straggling survivors along the river banks. The Oahu sent a radio message saying that the present plan is to bring the survivors and the dead to Shanghai by warship, the Japanese Navy having given assurance of safe passage down the river and also promised to send mine-sweepers to proceed ahead. The more seriously injured may be flown to Shanghai, but the decision awaits the gathering up of all survivors.

Signor Sandri, was formerly war correspondent in Abyssinia and Spain for Mussolini's paper, Popolo d'Italia.

Two Japanese flying boats have arrived off Hohsien from Shanghai. The Japanese Naval authorities originally planned to send one, but later decided to send two.—*Reuter.*

SAFE PASSAGE WILL BE GIVEN

Shanghai, Dec. 14.

A Japanese naval spokesman announced that safe passage and every other facilities will be given by the Japanese Navy to any foreign warships and merchantmen, previously bottled up in the Yangtse by booms, wishing to go down-river. It is learned that a number of British merchantmen, caught when the booms were laid are taking advantage of the opportunity and some are expected to arrive at Shanghai on December 16, escorted by H.M.S. Ladybird.—*Reuter.*

U.S.S. PANAY INCIDENT MINIMISED

IN JAPANESE PRESS

Shanghai, Dec. 14.

H.M.S. Ladybird and the U.S.S. Panay incidents are extremely minimised in the Japanese press which almost do not comment except stressing Mr. Eden's "extremely cautious attitude in the House of Commons" and also that official quarters in London are convinced that the attacks were accidental and that the Japanese Ambassador at Washington had made a statement that the Panay incident will be amicably settled, a view which is borne out by informed foreign circles in Tokyo.

It is understood that Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Japan, did not vist the Foreign Office to-day but the Foreign Office handed the British and American Embassies a memorandum offering apologies and indemnification and stating that steps have already been taken to prevent repetition of similar incidents.—*Reuter.*

GERMANY LODGES PROTEST

Berlin, Dec. 14: The Foreign Office has lodged a complaint with the Japanese Embassy in Berlin about the continuous attacks by Japanese artillery on December 11 on the British steamer Wangtu which had aboard her the office of the German Embassy in China.

There were no casualties but subsequently members of the German Embassy to a British gunboat.

The British Military Attache was also on the Wangtu and he immediately protested to the Japanese military authorities. Work of the German Embassy aboard the Wangtu has since been resumed.—*Reuter.*

R.M.A. DORADO

The R.M.A. Dorado arrived at 5.05 p.m. yesterday from Penang with 11,500 kilos of freight and 462,560 kilos of mail.

NOTICE

The following trains are temporarily suspended until further notice:—

	Morning Express	Mid-day Fast Train
Kowloon dep.	8.25 a.m.	12.45 p.m.
Canton arr.	11.20 a.m.	4.05 p.m.
Canton dep.	8.15 a.m.	1.10 p.m.
Kowloon arr.	11.10 a.m.	4.30 p.m.

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Refugees being taken away from the scene of bombing, Soochow Railway Station, September 17, 1937

CHARITY BALL

The Charity Ball to be held this evening in the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden in aid of the International Medical Relief Society of Hong Kong is already an assured success. An "anonymous sympathiser" has promised to meet the bill for the dinner, and the Hong Kong Hotel is supplying everying at cost. Another well-wisher has paid $1,000 for his $10 ticket. All the tickets have been sold.

In the course of the evening a few short speeches will be delivered and dancing will be interspersed with cabaret items, contributed both by amateurs and professionals.

The Ball is under the patronage of H.E. The Governor and Lady Northcote, and the President of the Ball is His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor. The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall is the Vice-President.

The International Medical Relief Society was formed some months ago to focus the sympathies of the local British and foreign community with Chinese sufferers in the present hostilities. Already the Society has despatched great quantities of medical supplies and medical comforts; also clothing for the distressed. The Executive Committee is composed of a number of well-known people from different sections of the community.

The Society is at present concentrating on the maintenance of a Red Cross unit which will cost $1,200 a month, and the Ball has been arranged to raise funds for this purpose.

AMBULANCE DANCE

(To the Editor, "The Hong Kong Daily Press")

Sir,—May I through the courtesy of your press appeal for public support at the dance to be held at St. John Ambulance Headquarters on Friday, December 17 at 8.30 p.m. in aid of Brigade Funds. Prices $1.50 (Gents.), $1 (Ladies) including refreshments.

Many of the men's divisions are sadly lacking in equipment; hundreds of recruits are waiting to enrol, but lack of finance forbids their admittance into the Brigade.

At this time of the year one has only to walk along Queen's Road East or West, and see many St. John Ambulance men at their vaccination stations—7.10 p.m., working voluntary and giving up their evenings.

In addition, the senior members are busily engaged in giving lectures on Air Raid Precautions and First Aid to many hundreds of Chinese men and women.

If one cannot attend the dance, one CAN send a small subscription.

The St. John Ambulance Brigade receives no grant from the Government yet its services are in greater request than ever.—Yours, etc.

R. LANGLEY,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, December 14.

DEVELOPING THE NEW TERRITORIES

Major Reed Addresses Rotarians

Can the quarter of a million acres of land available in the New Territories be developed on sound economic lines in order to render it capable of producing the greater percentage of the foodstuffs consumed in this colony?

Major Howard Reed, an eminent American agriculturist now residing in Hong Kong, thinks it can. Major Reed addressed Hong Kong Rotarians on the subject yesterday.

Major Reed began by reminding the audience that the economic situation on the food question in Hong Kong was so bad that fruit to the value of $4,854,000, vegetables to the value of $2,485,000, butter and cheese $1,000,000, bacon and ham $5,075,000 pigs $16,500,000 and game and poultry $1,900,000 were imported every year.

He said that over $700,000 had been frittered away in fruit growing efforts in the New Territories in the past. He had been surprised to see that not one tree had been cultivated or pruned properly. The season was that the farmer had no guidance and he was following the antiquated methods of his ancestors in wrong soil conditions that had never had proper attention.

Major Reed described local dairying as the most extravagant in the world. Cows, he said, were kept as boarders on rocky mountain sides with board bills of $18 a month each. Small wonder that local milk and cream was beyond the financial reach of thousands of women and children needing it.

FERTILISER MENACE

With regard to hogs, Major Reed said his observations revealed the poorest types of runty swaybacks. The same applied to poultry. The supply of green vegetables was totally inadequate and the prices far too high. Major Reed referred to the deadly night soil fertilization with its risk of dysentery and cholera.—This could be cured, he said, if the local business men willed it, by pounding home those facts to the colonial government.

In order to improve conditions, Major Reed suggested the following procedure: establish an ocular demonstration station, win over farmers to grow foodstuffs in place of rice, distribute new seeds and new fruit trees, distribute pure boars and pure bred cockerels, teach insect pest control, hold demonstration days for each of the 16 village districts, secure co-operation of the Agricultural Association to act as Chinese contact agents with farmers and village elders and bring the farmers by bus to the demonstrations. Such demonstrations were held in most countries, Major Reed said, and proved seven times more effective than oral demonstrations.

How to put nitrogen into the soil; Nature's way, with nitrogenous crops; how to fertilize by growing their own green manure crops; how to control insect pests by growing their own insecticides, when they can't afford buying expensive chemicals.

"The Board of Directors of the New Territories Agricultural Association, maintained by small individual donations, have requested me to make an appeal for help for the Chinese farmers, and I have promised them my aid and they, in turn, have passed a resolution pledging full co-operation in the event we can induce the Government to establish a proper demonstration station," he said.

Don't fail to visit the Association's Agricultural Exhibition at Fanling, January 7, 8 and 9.

SPEAKER THANKED

Dr. G. A. C. Herklots, Vice-Chairman of the New Territories Agricultural Association, in moving a vote of thanks to the speaker, said the fundamental difficulty with agricultural development in the New Territories was the poor economic condition of the Chinese farmer. Unless that could be improved it was no use expecting the farmer to do better than he had been doing in the past.

ART EXHIBITIONS

The Hong Kong Working Artists' Guild announces that a series of exhibitions will be presented in the near future by the Guild. The first of this series will be two exhibitions of Chinese water colour paintings by Misses Hung Pik-sheung, Hung Yiu-sheung and Hung Pui-sheung who, it will be recalled, had already held a successful Exhibition at the Hop Yat Church in September in aid of the War Relief, and the great colourist, Mr. Chiu Shiu-ngong who was a member of the Chinese Fine Arts Club of Canton.

The joint Exhibition of the trio sisters will be held at the St. Francis Hotel from Saturday, Dec. 18 till Wednesday Dec. 22, and that of Mr. Chiu Shiu-ngong simultaneously on the 8th. floor of the China Building.

Immediately after the Christmas, the Guild will present another exhibition of Chinese water colour paintings by Mr. Pau Shiu-yau, principal of the Lai Ching Art College.

It is understood that the net proceeds of all sales of pictures effected through these Exhibitions will be applied towards the War Relief.

CIVIL SERVANTS' HOUSES

Sir Henry Pollock Asks For Committee

At the Legislative Council meeting to-day, the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, pursuant to notice, will ask:—

"Will Government make a statement to this Council in regard to the reported defect discovered in Shing Mun, and the position regarding thereto of the Hong Kong Government, the Consulting Engineers and the Resident Engineers?"

The Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Kt., K.C., will move the following resolution:—

"That a Committee be appointed to consider and report to this Council upon the expenditure incurred in the housing of Government Civil Servants and also upon what would be the proper percentage of salary to be paid by various grades of Government Civil Servants as rent for the use of Government quarters."

THIRD ROUND DRAW IN F.A. CUP

The following is the draw in the third round of the English F.A. Cup:—

Grimsby v. Swindon, Doncaster, Sheffield United, Crystal Palace, Liverpool, Brentford, Fulham, Everton, Derby, Stoke, Bury v. South Liverpool or Brighton.

Aldershot v. Notts County.
Arsenal v. Bolton.
Sunderland v. Watford.
Swansea v. Wolves.
Southend v. Barnsley.
Millwall v. Manchester C.
Tottenham v. Blackburn.
Tranmere v. Portsmouth.
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Notts F. v. Southampton.
Clapton O. or York v. Coventry.
West Brom. v. Newcastle.
Manchester U. v. Yeovil & Petters
Leeds v. Chester.
Charlton v. Cardiff or Bristol C.
Mansfield or Lincoln v. Leicester.
Bradford v. Newport.
Huddersfield v. Hull.
Middlesbro's v. Stockport.
Sheffield Wed. v. Burnley.
Birmingham v. Blackpool.
Crewe or N. Brighton v. Plymouth.
Norwich v. Aston Villa.
Preston N.E. v. West Ham.
Scarborough v. Luton

The artiste who performed so capably on his accordeon at the Central British Association cabaret-dance on Saturday was Francis Horton and not "Francis Horty."

LOCAL ESTATES

Miss Eva Thomas Tam, late of Rural Building Lot No 324 Pokfulam Road, who died a spinster intestate at the age of 23 on or about November 1, 1937 at the Queen Mary Hospital, left local estate to the value of $5,700. Letters of administration to the estate of the deceased have been granted to Miss Anna Tam, of the same address.

Local estate sworn under $3,200 was left by Chan Kan Shi, widow, late of No. 37 Wai Kut Lo East, Canton, who died intestate on July 16, 1927. Letters of administration to the estate of the deceased have been granted to Chan Woo Shi, widow, of the same address but at present residing at No. 10 Wing Lok Street.

IN RETROSPECT

CRICKET FEATS COMPARED

(BY "THE CRITIC")

A big hand to L. G. Gosano and E. A. R. Alves of the Club de Recrelo, who together dismissed the Civil Service for 13 runs in their junior cricket league encounter on Saturday. The Civil Servant cannot exactly be described as a strong batting team but they had their usual side out, and anyway anyone who thinks that getting out 11 men, no matter of what calibre they may be, is an easy job, should have a try at it himself. Actually those two took nine wickets between them, one of the last Civil service batsmen being run out. Alves had figures of 6-4-2-6, and Gosano 6.5-2-8-3. I notice a contemporary referring to this total by the C. S. as "probably the lowest score in the history of Hong Kong League Cricket," and Alves' figures as "comparing very favourably with the best ever recorded in League cricket."

I could not say without reference to the records whether this is correct when applied to junior cricket, though I have a feeling it is not, but if the Senior league is also included, the writer is not being very complimentary to Frank Pereira, former Indian Recreation Club skipper, and Colony fast bowler, who only two seasons ago, was responsible for a feat which definitely has no parallel in local cricket. Readers will recollect his amazing performance on the Hong Kong University ground at Pokfulam on January 18, 1935, when he took all ten wickets for five runs to shoot out the Undergraduates for 12 runs. Six of those wickets he took for himself, and four men were caught in the slips. It should also be remembered that opposed to him were, in batting order, D. Hunt, K. P. Gan, A. B. Tata, E. L. Gosano, L. T. Ride, B. K. Ng, D. S. Blake, S. A. Reed, P. Power, H. L. Ozorio and D. Roy. Of these Ride and Gosano have had the honour of playing for Hong Kong, Hunt, Gan and Tata were batsmen above the average, and the rest were by no means rabbits. I recall Pereira's great record in no carping spirit of the work done by Gosano and Alves, good cricketers and good sportsmen both, but merely as a plea for a proper perspective to be kept when describing outstanding sporting events.

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Another creditable piece of work on the cricket field was that done by the Indian Recreation Club juniors who, though they have been experiencing a very lean time, turned round on Kowloon Cricket Club seconds, Junior League champions, and beat them up good and proper on their own ground. It was very nice going indeed.

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The Royal Navy demonstrated in no uncertain manner that they have a really strong Rugby fifteen this year when they met the Club in the second match of the Triangular Tournament series and beat them by the margin of 22 points to 13. The match before, they had trounced the Army by an even much greater margin and on these two performances I think it is safe to say they have to-day a team as powerful as any they have ever put out. It may be no exaggeration to say that their absolutely best side is as good as any that has ever performed on a local ground, if not better. They have in Lieuts. Cotman, Walsham and Talbot three really outstanding players.

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Congratulations to Miss Rose Perry, newly-crowned local women's tennis champion. She holds both the Singles and Doubles title, sharing the latter with Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu, and on her showing throughout the tournament fully deserves the honours.

MAX SCHMELING WINS

New York, Dec. 14.

Max Schmeling beat Harry Thomas of Chicago on a technical knockout in the eighth round of a ten-round contest.

Schmeling lost four of the five early rounds when Thomas was aggressive. The sixth was the turning point, the German landing two rights on the chin. After that Thomas was always in trouble and was nearly knocked out in the seventh by heavy rights. In the eighth Schmeling floored his opponent six times with lefts and rights. Thomas was very game and got up after short counts till the referee stopped the contest after two minutes and fifty-four seconds.—*Reuter.*

TRIANGULAR HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

CLUB BEAT ARMY IN FAST GAME

The return match between the Hong Kong Hockey Club and the Army in the Triangular Tournament was played yesterday on the Army ground at Sookunpoo, the Club winning by the comfortable score of 3-1.

Both sides were at full strength and the game was very fast, the passing being generally good. Wilson in goal for the Army played a fine game and the Reed brothers were prominent for the Club.

After a few minutes of mid-field play, Divett took the ball up by himself, evaded the Army backs and scored a fine shot, giving the Club their first point. The Club wingers were alway dangerous and every time they were in poasession of the ball caused some confusion to the Army defence., Bickford, receiving a pass from Fowler, missed a cinch goal by hesitating too long. Partaub Singh ran through and took a shot at the goal, but this was intercepted by Pritan Nath, who scored at point blank range, giving the goalie no chance to save.

The Army defence was penalised for turning in the dee, and a short corner was awarded to the Club. Bond, taking the shot, passed the ball to Bickford who stopped it for Divett to score. At half time the score stood at 2-1.

In the second half, the Army launched a series of attacks on the Club goal but they had no finish. Bond had bad luck in hitting the cross-piece, thereby missing a likely point.

Shortly before the final whistle, Fowler added another point for the Club after receiving a pass from Bickford.

TOURNEY RESULTS

The following are the results of matches played in the present series of Triangular Tournament games to date, including yesterday's match:—

Army beat Navy 4-2 on the Navy ground;

Club beat Navy 3-1 on the Navy ground;

Club beat Navy 5-0 on the Club ground;

Club beat Army 3-1 on the Army ground.

The teams were as follows:—

Club:—V. M. Benwell; R. L. Wallace and E. V Reed; R. A. Bates, W. A. Reed and J. E. Potter; S. Fowler, T. S. D. Whitley, G. E. R. Divett. (Capt.); B. I. Bickford and V. C. Bond.

Army:— Wilson; Stickley and Swanson; Capt. S. J. Ritchie, Capt. Stapleton and Sig. Austin, Han Shah Wali, Lt. Sawal Khan, Lt. Pritam Nath, N. K. Gohal Ram and Partaub Singh.

CHESS CLUB DINNER

Members of the Kowloon Chess Club held their annual dinner at the Peninsula Hotel last evening during the course of which prizes were distributed to the winners of the Colony Chess Championship and the Kowloon Senior Championship.

Mr. K. M. A. Barnett, Hon. Treasurer, stressed the need of some new chess sets as the present ones were quite unsuitable. The prize winners were:—

Colony Chess Championship

Winner:—V. Rush; Runner-up, A. Weiss (on leave in Germany).

Kowloon Chess Championship

Winner:—D. E. de Carvalho; Runner-up, G. Kaye.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB

The championship semi-final rounds resulted in F. E. A. Remedios defeating A. J. Dennis 3/1 and W. Taylor defeating E. D. da Roza on the last green.

The Annual President's and Captains' match will be played on Sunday next, December 19. The following are the starting times:—

9.00 a.m. R. K. Collings and W. Taylor.
9.04 „ W. A. Stewart and T. D. Paton.
9.08 „ A. J. Dennis and A. A. Lopes.
9.12 „ J. McKelvie and G. P. Murphy.
9.16 „ R. K. Stott and E. F. Fincher.
9.20 „ F. C. Barry and S. Jex.
9.24 „ C. G. Anderson and J. F. Smedley.
9.28 „ E. O. Murphy and E. Christensen.
9.32 „ E. C. Fincher and W. J. Woolley.
9.36 „ W. Bastin and W. Kershaw.
9.40 „ E. W. Gardiner and E. H. Watts.
9.44 „ T. Henderson and G. C. Moss.
9.48 „ J. E. R. Humble and L. J. Cave.
10.02 „ W. Stoker and H. R. Billings.
10.06 „ J. M. Boyd and C. W. L. Cole.
10.10 „ T. C. Lee and J. Kirwin.

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Sporting Fixtures

TO-DAY

Badminton.—"B" Division: Free Lances v. Recreio; Chinese R.C. v. St. John's.

Football.—Third Division (Kowloon), 20th Bty. R.A. v. Royal Corps. of Signals (Chatham Road), 4 p.m.; Boys League, St. Joseph's v. Wah Yan (Happy Valley), 3.30 p.m.

Gymnastics.—Demonstration and Display (Kowloon Junior School), 5.30 p.m.

Hockey.—Seaforths v. University (Sookunpoo), 4 p.m.

Rugby.—Club "A" v. 5th A.A. Bde. (Club ground), 4.45 p.m.

Shooting.—Hong Kong Rifle Association Weekly Spoon and Practice Shoot, Army Range, Kowloon City, 2 p.m.

TO-MORROW

Football.—Second Division, 5th Bde. R.A. v. Middlesex (Military ground), 4 p.m.

SATURDAY, DEC. 18

Racing. — Hong Kong Jockey Club Thirteenth Extra Race Meeting, at Happy Valley, 2 p.m.

CRICKET IN INDIA

Bombay, Dec. 13.

At the close of play the Indians had scored 208, Mankab, a 22-year-old newcomer scored 88. Gover took five wickets for 88 runs and Wellard four for 61. Lord Tennyson's eleven made 90 for four; Edrich made 51 not out after being missed before scoring. The match will finish to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

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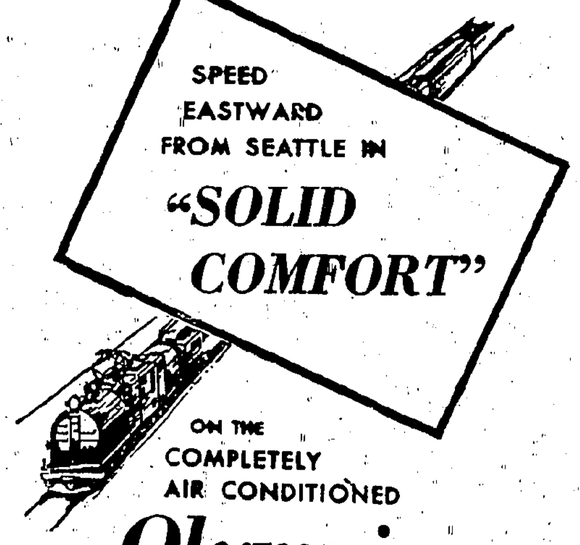

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R.U. PRESIDENT ON HOOKING

SCRUM-HALVES ALSO INDICTED

Major-Gen. B. A. Bill, President of the Rugby Union, speaking at the Jubilee dinner of the Lydney R.F.C. criticised the methods employed by scrum-halves and forwards.

"From some parts of the country," he said, "reports are coming in that the new laws regarding the putting of the ball into the scrum are not being followed, in that the ball is still being rolled in. I want to take this opportunity to say that this is inexcusable and deplorable.

"This year's alterations to Law 15 were framed with the idea of simplifying matters; preventing outside forwards from hooking the ball, and ensuring that the ball got into the scrum without delay. Surely it is simple enough for a half-back with a little practice to throw the ball so that it pitches inside the scrum? If it does this, it gives less time for unfair hooking, and, if it is thrown with moderate speed, it cannot pitch too far.

"Why isn't it done?" asked Major-Gen. Hill. "Is it not their senseless desire to get the ball at any price, fairly or otherwise? Let us get back to proper scrum-maging.

SCRAPING FOR THE BALL.

"In recent years the practice has grown for front row forwards to pack with their sterns up in the air in the mistaken idea that this is the only position which will enable the second row forwards to get a good purchase. They do all their pushing and scrapping before the ball is anywhere near coming in, and when it is about to be put in they cease all shoving and prepare to scrape for the ball.

"This unfortunate state of affairs is the result of the introduction of various schemes for getting the ball. Let us get away from them. Let the ouside men in the front row realise that their duty is to help the centre man to get the ball. For him to do this fairly, they must bring their maximum effort to bear just as the ball is coming in. To bring this about they must pack as low as possible, the outside leg with knee bent ready to straighten out with the heave, the inside leg extended to the rear taking the strain.

"With low packing in front, the rows in the rear must also get low, and the best position for shoving is as nearly prone as possible.

"In addition, if the back row forwards get really low and push, then it will take them longer to break away, which will be all to the good.

CEYLON OFFICIAL'S TRAGIC DEATH

Mentally Worried Over A Case

"He came from the land side, stood on the track, turned round, looked at the engine and laid himself on the track holding the rails," said the engine-driver giving evidence at the inquest held regarding the death of Mr. E.T. Millington, Government Agent, Uva, who was run over and killed by a train near the Kollupitiya Station, recently.

"Death was probably due to decapitation. I am satisfied that it was a case of suicide while in a state of temporary insanity, through unnecessary worry over a case," was the verdict returned by Mr. R. L. Bartholomeuz, the City Coroner.

The widow, in the witness box, said her husband was one of the chief witnesses in a civil suit against the Crown in connection with the seizure of some timber, and he was very worried over the case. On a certain day when she returned home from shopping she found her husband standing by the window. "I asked him 'What is the matter?' but he did not answer. I again asked 'What is the matter? Are you worried?' And he said:

'I am.' He reproached himself for failing to remember a file of 1929. He gave all his time and his life to his work."

Coroner: What are the issues in the case?—Rs. 50,000 against the Attorney-General.

"I asked him," she continued, "'Why are you worried so much?' He said: 'You know what I am. I am always worried about my work.' I said: 'The case is finished and we are going Home on Wednesday. Don't worry about it.' Then he seemed very much calmed and talked about a few things about our going Home. We discussed our voyage.

"I was there in the garden when he asked me to go for a walk. I said I was tired and would like to rest before going out. He did not come back. It was about seven o'clock. I was worried. I went to Mr. and Mrs. Wedderburn and told them. Mr. Wedderburn rang up the Police Station. My husband seemed quite normal when he went out."

The funeral was very largely attended, the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott being among those present.

300 YEARS EXILE TO END

Son Of Enemy Peer Returning

After a period of exile extending nearly 250 years, the Irish family of Taaffe is to go back once more to its ancient home.

Count Edward Taaffe, head of the family announced that he is to return to Ireland and to settle permanently there.

It is possible for him to take steps to secure the restoration of the titles of which his father was deprived for fighting against Britain in the war.

The father, who died in 1928, was the twelfth holder of the title of Viscount Taaffe in the peerage of Ireland.

There are few families with so romantic a history and one which has brought them to play a leading part in events in so many lands.

WALES—IRELAND—AUSTRIA

They originated in Wales. They made their home in Ireland in the 10th century. They settled in Central Europe nearly 250 years ago.

A Taaffe held the family castle at Ardree, Co. Louth, for Queen Elizabeth. A Taaffe was staunch for the Stuarts in the Civil Wars. One gave his life for James II. at the Battle of the Boyne.

The Taaffe who migrated to Bohemia became a Marshal and Count of the Austrian Empire. The grandfather of the present Count rose to first place in Austrian politics, being Premier from 1879 to 1893.

Count Edward, who is 39 married at Dunboyne, Meath, in 1931 Miss Grace McLaughlin. She is the grand-daughter of the late Chief Justice Meredith, Irish Master of the Rolls.

From his father Count Edward learned one of the closest secrets of the Royal Houses of Europe—the circumstances of the deaths in a shooting-box near Vienna in 1889 of Crown Prince Rudolf of Hapsburg and Baroness Mary Vetsera.

16th CENTURY HOUSE TO BE SAVED

In order that a house known as St. John-at-Hackney Institute, in High-street, Homerton, can be saved from destruction, the Parks Committee of the London County Council recommends that £200 should be contributed to the London Society to help it to acquire the property.

The house contains some original oak linen-fold panelling and stone fireplaces. It is an interesting example of a secular building of the 16th century.

Sir Thomas Sutton, founder of Charterhouse, is believed to have been one of the first occupants, but this has not been verified.

The London Society has already obtained £2,300 towards the total cost of £2,500. The National Trust, to whom it is proposed to present the house, contributed £1,500.

VICAR OF 72 ASKED TO RETIRE

Announcing his retirement to his parishioners, Canon Walter Bidlake, Vicar of Neston, Cheshire, for 14 years, said:

"The bishop [Dr. G. F. Fisher, Bishop of Chester] tells me there is feeling in the parish that a change of vicars is desirable.

"I had hoped to have postponed retirement for another year, when I should have completed half a century in the ministry. But I am told that the interests of the parish must come before my personal wishes."

Canon Bidlake is 72. He has been hon. canon of Chester Cathedral since 1930.

SNOW LEOPARD FOR THE ZOO

First For Some Years

An interesting newcomer expected to arrive at the Zoo is an ounce, or snow leopard. This beautiful creature has not been represented in the menagerie for several years.

It has longer fur than the leopard, and is generally grey in colour with large dark rosettes. It comes from Central Asia, and in its natural state preys upon wild sheep and goats. It has been known to kill ponies.

The two Brahminy kites liberated recently at the Zoo are behaving so satisfactorily that two Egyptian kites are also to have their freedom.

The Brahminy kites make their headquarters in a tree in the Three-island pond enclosure, and their rations are left each day at the foot of this tree. But the kites are to be seen flying all over the gardens, and one makes a habit of visiting the polar bears during feeding time. The kites have also been seen to swoop down and carry off some of the rats that plague the menagerie.

GORDON RICHARDS' GREAT RECORD

Strange that a filly drafted out of the Beckhampton stable should have been the means of giving Richard his 200th winning ride of the season.

Mr. J. A. Dewar having made up his mind not to keep Portefeuille, she was sold to Mr. F. O. Bezner for 400gs. after her success—her second win up to that date—in a selling plate at Windsor in the middle of September. The daughter of Portlaw has already proved herself an acquisition to Walter Nightingall's stable.

This is the 11th time in 13 years that Richards has been champion jockey. Each season since 1933, when he established his record of 295 wins, he has secured his second century of successes excepting last year, when his total was 177.

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DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS

Hong Kong Stock Exchange — Sharebrokers' Association

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal	TUESDAY. DEC. 14.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nominal
				Banks				
$1,500	...	$1,505		H.K. Banks	...	...	...	...
£91	..	..		Do. (London)	...	...	...	£12½
..	..	..	£12½	Chartered Banks	...	...	...	£232
..	..	..	£232	Mercantile Bks. "A"	...	...	...	£15
..	..	..	£15	Do. "C"	...	...	...	$89
..	$80	..		Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	32
...	...			N. C. & S. Banks	...	...	...	
				Insurances				
$272½				Canton Insurances	...	...	...	$270
...	...	$516	...	Union Insurances	...	...	...	$515
...	...	..	$1½	Underwriters	...	...	...	$1½
...	...	..	$246	H.K. Fires	...	...	...	$240
...	...	...	...	International Assce. S.	...	...	...	..
				Shipping				
$43½	..	...		Douglases	$48½	...	...	
...	...	...	38	Steamboats	..	..	..	$8
...	...	...	151	Indo-Chinas (pref.)	...	...	...	$51
...	...	...	143	Do. (def.)	...	..	..	$43
...	...	...	95/-	Shells	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	$9.30	Watercrafts	..	..	..	$9.30
...	...	...		**Mining**				
				Kailans	..	...	...	18/9
..	...	...	18/9	Raubs	...	...	...	$8½
...	...	...	$3.30	Venezuela Gold Fields	...	...	...	$4
...	...	...	$5					
				Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.				
	...	...	$118	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...	$116
...	...	...	...	Providents (old)	$2.00	...	...	...
$2	...	...		Do. (new)	25 cts.	...	...	
...	...	...	35 cts.	H.K. & W. Docks	$28	...	...	...
$23	...	$23½		Shanghai Docks S.	...	...	...	$100
...	...	..		New Engineerings S.	...	...	...	$3
...	...	....		**Lands, Hotels, and Buildings**				
			$5.20	H.K. Hotels	$5.10	...	...	
...	...	...	$32	H.K. Lands S.	...	...	...	$31½
...	...	...	$100	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	...	$10½
...	...	...		Shanghai Lands S.	...	...	...	
...	...	...		Metropolitan Lands	...	...	...	$4.75
...	...	...	$4.85	H.K. Realties	...	...	...	
...	...	...		China Do S.	...	...	...	
...	...	...		Do. Debentures S.	...	...	...	$8.40
...	...	...	$8½	Humphreys	...	...	...	
...	...	...	$86	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	
				Cotton Mills				
...	...	...	$13½	Ewos S.	...	...	...	$13½
...	...	...	$77	Shai Cottons (old) S.	...	...	...	$77
...	...	...		Do. (new) S.	...	...	...	$34
...	...	...		Zung Sings S.	...	...	...	$40
...	...	...		Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	...	...	
...	...	...	...	Ewo Cotton Rts. S.				
				Public Utilities				
			$13.30	Tramways	$13.10	...	...	
...	...	...	$7½	Peak Trams (old)	...	...	...	$3.10
...	...	...	$3½	Do. (new)	...	...	...	$8
...	...	...	$80	Star Ferries	...	...	...	$24½
...	...	...	$24½	Yaumati Ferries	...	...	...	$9
...	...	...	$26½	China Lights (old)	...	$11.40	$11.40	CA
...	...	...	49.30	Do. (new)	...	...	A	$11.20
...	...	...		China Buses S.	...	...	...	22/6
...	...	...		Tractions	...	...	...	
...	...	...	23/9	Do. (pref.)	...	...	...	
...	...	...	23/-					
				Industrials				
...	...	...	...	Caldbeck, Macgregors (ord.) S.	...	...	...	
...	...	...	...	Macgregors (pref.) S.	...	...	...	$1.70
...	...	...	$1.70	Canton Ices	...	...	...	$12.85
...	...	$12½	...	Cements	...	...	...	$3.80
...	...	...	$3.80	Ropes	...	...	...	
				Miscellaneous				
...	...	...	$34	Dairy Farms	...	...	...	$24
...	...	...	35	Ch. E'tainments	$5	...	...	...
...	...	...	$1.60	Constructions, (old)	...	...	...	$1½
...	...	..	$1.00	Do. (new)	95 cts.	..	..	
...	...	..	38	Lane Crawfords	...	..	..	$7½
...	...	...	...	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	...	$4½
...	...	...	$1½	Sinceres	...	...	...	$1.60
...	...	...	4½	Watsons	...	...	...	$4½
...	...	...	...	S. C. Enterprises	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	73½	Cu.G. 5% 1925 G.S. Bds.	...	...	...	73%
...	...	prem.	6%	H.K. Govt. 4% Loans	...	...	...	$104
...	...	prem	1½	Do. 3½%	...	...	...	$101½
...	...	..	$6	Wallace Harper	...	...	...	...
...	...	..	$49	H.K Wing On	...	...	...	$40
...	...	..	...	S'hai Do	...	...	...	$54
...	...	..	$6	Vibro Piling	...	...	...	$8
...	...	...	21/-	Marsmans Lt d. (Lon.) (H.K.)	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	4/6					
...	...	...	75 cts.	Wm. Powells	...	...	...	75 cts.

• Sales to Shanghai

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(British Wireless Service)

	Dec. 10	Dec. 13
Paris	147-5/64	147-9/64
Geneva	21.60¾	21.60½
Berlin	12.40	12.39
Athens		
Milan	95-3/16	95
Copenhagen		
Stockholm	19.40	
Shanghai		
New York	4.99¾	4.99-11/16
Amsterdam	8.98-9/16	8.98½
Vienna		
Prague		142-3/16
Madrid		
Lisbon		
Hong Kong		
Bombay		
Montreal	18½	4.99-11/16
Brussels	29.30¾	29.38½
Yokohama		
Belgrade		
Monte Video		
Rio	2-41/64	2-21/32
Bucharest		
Silver (Forward)	4.99¾	18-3/16
Silver (Spot)	18-13/16	18½
War Loan		3½% 101-9/16

Closing Quotations

December 14, 1937.

On London:—
Telegraphic Transfer, Bank Bills, on demand } 1/2¼
Credits, four months' sight 1/2½

On Shanghai:—
On Demand 104½

On Singapore:—
On demand 58½

On Japan:—
On demand 108½

On India:—
Telegraphic Transfer, Bank, on demand } 89

On New York:—
Bank Bills, on demand 30 16/16
Credits, 60 days' sight 31 7/16

On Batavia:—
On demand 55½

On Paris:—
Bank Bills, on demand 9 0
Credits, 4 month's sight 970

On Saigon:—
On demand 90½

On Manila:—
On demand 61½

On Bangkok:—
On demand 149½

Sovereigns, Bank Buying Rate 1/2 1/32

Bar Silver, per Oz. 18½

THE EXCHANGE MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS.

Silver prices dropped 5/16 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 18 1/2 for Ready and 18 3/16 for Forward. Silver advices reported the market as being steady. A small business was done. India and Speculators sold. American Silver was quoted at 44 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 499.67. New York-London was quoted at 499.-3/4.

MARKET

Quiet. No business was reported.

STERLING

There were sellers at 1/2 31/32 December-February and 1/2 15/16 March, buyers at 1/3 Cash-February and 1/2 31/32 March.

U.S. DOLLARS

Sellers at 31 3/16 December, 31 1/8 January-February and 31 1/16 March, buyers at 31 1/4 Cash, 31 3/16 January-February and 31 1/2 March.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Sellers at 105 9/16, buyers at 105 5/8 for Spot.

SHANGHAI MARKET

There were sellers of Sterling at 1/2 3/16, buyers at 1/2 7/32 for Spot. U.S. Dollars, sellers at 29 17/32, buyers at 29 19/32 for Spot.

IN THE AFTERNOON

The market was a shade steadier in the afternoon, finishing with sellers of Sterling at 1/3 December and 1/2 31/32 January and probably March, buyers at 1/3 1/32 Cash-January, 1/3 February-March and 1/2 31/32 April.

U.S. DOLLARS

The market closed with sellers at 31 3/16 December, 31 1/8 January-February and 31 1/16 March, buyers at 31 1/4 Cash-January, 31 3/16 February-March and 31 1/8 April.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Sellers at 105 11/16 for Spot.

H. K. STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

The market continued neglected.

BUYERS

H.K. Bank, $1500.
H.K. Bank, £91.
Canton Insurance, $272½.
Douglases, $48½.
H.K. & W. Docks, $28.
Providents (Old), $2.
H.K. Electrics, $52½.

SELLERS

Bank of East Asia, $90.

SALES

H.K. Bank, $1505.
Union Ins., $516.
H.K. & W. Docks, $28½.
H.K. Electrics, $53.
Cements, $12¾.

H.K. SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

BUYERS

H.K. Banks, $1500.
H.K. Docks, $28.
Trams, $13.10.
Douglase, $48½.
Providents (Old), $2.02½.
Electrics, $52½.
Entertainments, $5.
Constructions (New), 95 cts.
Antamoks, 80 cts.
Consol. Mines, .02 cts.

SELLERS

Cements, $12.70.

SALES

Providents (Old), $2.05.

JAPAN'S IMPORT OF PETROLEUM

Figures Given In House Of Commons

London, Dec. 13.

Japanese imports of petroleum were the subject of a question in the House of Commons by Col. H. W. Burton (Cons.), and in a written reply Captain Euan Wallace, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, stated that according to Japanese official trade statistics, Japanese imports of crude and refined petroleum for 12 months ended July 1937 totalled 1,102,500,000 gallons of which 62,-800,000 were recorded as imported from British Borneo.

Imports, if any, from other British countries were relatively unimportant.

Direct purchases of petroleum on the State account by service departments were not included in these statistics. Separate particulars of imports of petrolum had not appeared in the Japanese monthly trade returns since last July.—*Reuter.*

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Reuter's Service)

QUOTATIONS

New York: December 14.

	High	Low	Last Close	Today's Close	Change
New York/London Cross-rate			4.99-13/16	4.99¾	1/16 off
New York Cotton—Mar.	8.14	8.05	8.07	8.11	.04 up
New York Rubber—Mar.	15.53	15.40	15.62*	15.40	.23 off
Chicago Wheat —May.	93⅜	90⅞	91⅛	92⅛	5/8 up
Chicago Corn —May.	58⅛	57⅛	58⅛	58⅛	unch.
Winnipeg Wheat—May.	115¼	113⅛	114⅜	115⅛	7/8 up
Silver—Official			44¼	44⅜	unch.

1937 High	1937 Low	Dow	Jones Averages.	Dec. 13. High	Low	Close	Change
194.40	113.84	30	Industrials	126.85	125.88	125.83	4.00 off
64.46	29.15	20	Rails	32.36	32.01	31.30	1.06 off
37.54	19.54	20	Utilities	21.97	21.89	21.51	.47 off
105.89	91.54	40	Bonds	93.87		93.81	.04 off
82.44	52.03	11	Commodity Index	53.63		53.43	.20 off

Business Done:—1,720,000 shares.

Stocks	Dec. 11	13
Adams Express	9½	8¾
Allis Chalmers	46¼	44
Amer. Can	78½	73
Am Car & Foundry		
Amer. Cyanamid	23½	23½‡
Amer. & For. Power	4¾	4½
Amer. & For. $7 pf.	22½	21
Amer. Locomotive	22½	21
Amer. Metals	30½	29½
Amer. Radiator	13¾	13¼
Amer. Rolling Mill	20¾	19¼
Amer. Smelting	48¾	46½
Amer. Steel Fdries.	26¾	25¼
Amer. Sugar	149½	149½
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	65	60¾
Amer. Tobacco "B"	13¾	13
Amer. Waterworks	31¾	30½
Anaconda Copper	41½	39¾
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	—	—
Atlantic Refining	7¾	7¾
Atlas Corpn.	7	3⅝
Auburn Motors		
Baldwin Locomotive $7 cum. pf.	12¼	11¾
Baltimore & Ohio	14¼	13¾
Barnsdall Oil		
Bendix Aviation	56⅜	54¼
Bethlehem Steel	28¾	27½
Boeing Airplane	17½	17½
Borden Co.	24¾	21½‡
Briggs M'facturing		
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans	9⅞	9½
Brooklyn-Manhattan $6 cum. pf.	31½	30
Case, J.I.	96½	92
Canadian Pacific	8¾	8
Celanese Corpn. of America	16¼	15½
Cerro de Pasco	40½*	39½
Certain-Teed P'ducts		
Chesapeake Corpn.	47¾	45½
Chesapeake & Ohio	38¾	37¾
Chrysler Corpn.	56¼	54½
Columbia Gas & El.	9¼	9
Columbia 6% "A" pf.	77½	77¾
Commercial Credit	38¼	36
Commercial Solvents	7⅞	7¾
Commonwealth & S.	2⅛	2
Commonwealth $6 cum. pf.	42	41
Consolidated Edison	24¼	24
Consolidated Oil	9¼	9¼
Continental Oil	31½	29¾
Corn. Products	63½	62
Curtiss Wright (C.)	3¾	3
Curtiss Wright "A"	13¾	13½
Delaware & Hudson	17¼*	16¾
Del. Lackawanna & Western	8¾	8½
Distillers Corpn Seagrams	15½	14¾
Douglas Aircraft	38½	36¾
Du Pont	115½	111½
Electric Boat	6½	6¾
Elec. Bond & Share	11	10¾
Elec. Bond & Share $5 pf.	52¾	52½
Elec. Bond & Share $6 pf.	59 *	58½
Elec Power & Light	13½	13
Elec Power & Light $7 pf.	45½	44
Firestone Tire & R.	17¼	16¾
Flintkote		
Gen. Asphalt	22	21
Gen. Cigar	24¾*	24½
Gen. Electric	43¼	41½
Gen. Foods	31¾	31
Gen. Motors	34¾	33½
Gen. Railway Signal	23½	22½
Gillette Safety Razor	25¼	25
Gliddon	29 *	27 *
Gold Dust	17	16½
Goodrich (B.F.)	55 *	55½
Goodrich $5 pf.	21	19¾
Goodyear		

Stocks	Dec. 11	13
Great Northern Rly.	26	24¾
Great Western Sugar	29¾	29
Holly Sugar Corpn.	—	—
Humble Oil	62¼	62
Int. Nickel	44	42¾
Int. Tel. & Tel.	8	7¾
Int. Dept Stores	11¾	11¼
Kennecott Copper	37¼	36¼
Lambert Corpn.	14¼*	13⅜
Loew's Inc.	49	48
Lorillard	16½	16¼
McIntyre Porcupine	—	—
McKesson & Robbins	32⅜	32¾
Monsanto Chemical	82½*	83¾
Montgomery Ward	34½	33⅜
Murray Corpn.		
Nat Cash Registor	17¾*	17½‡
Nat Dairy Products	14½	14
Nat Distillers	22¾	21⅜
Nat Power & Light	8¾	8¼
New York Central	19¾	18¾
Niagara Hudson P. Corpn.	8¼	7¾
North American	7¾	8
Northern Pacific	21¾	20½
Pacific Gas & Elec.	26¼	26
Pacific Lighting	37¾	37½*
Packard Motors	4¾	4¼
Paramount	11¾	11⅜
Pennsylvania R.R.	22¾	21½
Phelps Dodge		
Phillips Petroleum	40¾	38¼
Public Service of N.J.	34¼	33½
Pullman Inc.	—	—
Pure Oil	11¼	10¾
Radio Corpn of Am.	6¾	6½
Republic Steel	18¾	17¾
Reynolds Tobac. "B"	41¾	40¾
St. Joseph Lead Co.	28	27¼
Schenley	76 *	76½*
Schenley 5½% pf.	58¼	58¾
Sears Roebuck	16¾	16¼
Shell Union Oil	15¼	14¾
Socony-Vacuum	21	20¾
Southern Cal Edison	22¾	21⅜
Southern Pacific	14¾	13½
Southern Rly 5% pf.	8¾	8½
Stand Brands	5½	5¼
Stand Gas & Elec.	25¾	25
Stand Gas & Elec. $7 pf.	44½	42⅜
Standard Oil of N.J.	57	56½
Sterling Products	23¾*	26¾‡
Swift International	18¾*	17⅜
Technicolor	40½	38½
Texas Gulf Sulphur	15¾	14⅜
Tidewater Assoc. Oil	10¾	10¾
Timken-Detroit Axle	21¼	21
Transamerica	27¼	26½
20th Cent. Fox Films	74⅜	72
20th Cent. Fox Films pf.	85½	84
Un. Carbide & Carbon	22¾	22½
Un. Pacific	8	7¾
United Aircraft	3¾	3⅜
Un. Airline Transport	32¾	32¾
United Corpn.	10¾	10⅜
United Corpn. $3 cum pf.	3⅜	3¼
Un. Gas Improvem't	21¾	20¾
Un. Light & power "A"	1%	1%
US Industrial Alcohol	27½	26
U.S. Rubber	55½	54½
U.S. Rubber $8 pf.	57½	55
U.S. Steel	16½	16
Vanadium	7⅜	7
Warner Bros Pict.	109	106
Westinghouse Elec.	39¾	37½
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	30¾*	29½*
Chase National Bk.	28¾*	28½*
National City Bank	1%	1%
Call Money		

EXPORT ACTIVITY

Austins' £2,000,000 Of Overseas Business

Reports from the stands of leading exhibitors of British cars at the Motor Exhibition, showed that a large volume of trade enquires were received from overseas, and the Austin concern, for instance, stated that it already had £2,000,-000 worth of export business in hand.

During the first two days of the Show, enquiries for Austin cars were received from trade representatives from Norway, Sweden, Poland and Latvia, among other countries.

Individual enquiries from overseas visitors have also been exceptionally numerous this year, the countries concerned being most notably, India, Australia and South Africa.

The Austin concern also reports that its new Big Seven and new Eighteen aroused exceptional interest amongst overseas visitors in view of their excellent performance and generous dimensions in their respective classes.

This interest is perhaps not surprising in view of the 38.7 per cent increase in Austin exports recorded for the last year.

Actually, over one-hundred-and-fifty main distributors and nearly five times as many dealers, are now handling Austin cars overseas in no fewer than eighty-two markets.

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Current Accounts opened in Local Currency and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods in Local Currency and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application.

Also up to date Safe Deposit Boxes in various sizes To Let.

Hong Kong, 12th May, 1937.

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Hong Kong, 1st March, 1937.

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REICHSMARK QUOTATIONS

Berlin, Dec. 13.

The Reichsmark was quoted, without guarantee, as follows:—
New York, 40.32.
Paris, 1186.
Amsterdam, 72.455.
London, 12.402.
Paris Sterling, 147.15 to 147.20.
Paris U.S. dollar, 29.435 to 29.445.—

Transocean News Service.

SILVER AGREEMENT NOT TO BE RENEWED

Washington, Dec. 14: The London Silver Agreement of 1933 can be "buried" on its expiration on December 31, it was said on behalf of the Administration. No conversations towards its continuance has taken place, it was added.—*Reuter.*

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All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Vessel's Godown and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st Dec., will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 4th Jan. or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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14th December, 1937.

MOSCOW GOES TO THE POLLS

Elections Stir Unusual Enthusiasm

Moscow, Dec. 13.

At least 95 per cent. of the electorate went to the polls yesterday, and the great majority voted for the approved list of candidates, according to the preliminary election figures.

The voting began as early as 6 o'clock. Moscow was in holiday garb and music was provided at the polling booths.

The only untoward incident occurred when a man was sentenced at Leningrad to seven years' imprisonment for trying to break up an electoral meeting with anti-Soviet shouts.

Unprecedented enthusiasm was aroused by the elections.—*Reuter.*

EATING LIVE COALS

Kuda Bux, who has become well known outside India for his ability to walk barefoot over live coals now has a rival. Pandit Hargopal, of the Amritsar district, though he does not walk on live coals, apparently delights in swallowing them.

PHILIPPINE MINING NEWS

Twenty-two gold mines of the Islands reported a total November production of P4,588,601.65. Amount of production from Tambis and Twin Rivers are still lacking. The total, for all mines last month was P79,000 below October although the November figures are the second best ever reported in the Philippines.

Baguio Gold, I.X.L., Benguet Consolidated and United Paracale all reported new high production figures for the month under review.

Total production for 1937 to date amounts to P46,908,328.35 as compared to P39,989,142.72 for the first eleven months of 1936.

It may be noted that Benguet Consolidated has practically reached the million peso per month classification. Their ore averaged P29.685. Balatoc and Benguet recently voted a 30 per cent. cash dividend. The total cash distribution by these two companies for the year will be P12,000,000.00. Balatoc's recent dividend declaration makes a total of P1.35 per share paid stockholders this year. In addition to this the company also paid a 50 per cent. stock dividend.

Demonstration, Baguio Gold and Atok have recently declared dividends of 10 per cent.

Total cash dividends paid by the entire industry in 1937 will amount to better than P18,000,000 which places the industry on a par with any in the Islands.

It is expected that Antamok will soon declare at least a 20 per cent. dividend for the fourth quarter. The industry will export gold, silver, copper, iron and other base metals during the current year in the value of approximately P52,000,000.

Lepanto Consolidated, a Nielson-managed property treated 9,438 tons of ore last month containing copper, gold and silver valued at P50,675.00.

Hong Kong Mines, another Nielson-managed property produced 462 dry tons for the month of November. This plant is being increased from 150 tons per day to 250—275 tons per day.

	Tons	Production
Ambassador	1,255	P 15,474.00
Antamok	23,261	442,311.66
Baguio Gold	7,317	130,974.42
Benguet Consolidated	31,086	922,797.88
Balatoc	36,516	1,094,381.84
Big Wedge	4,777	140,767.61
Benguet Exploration	2,910	21,812.00
Cal-Horr	6,523	34,000.00
Demonstration	8,609	139,597.00
Ipo	5,914	46,818.60
Itogon	30,000	339,019.97
I.X.L.	8,826	228,416.58
Masbate	54,088	215,868.84
Mindanao Mother Lodge	—	184,259.46
Mindanao Mining	—	14,420.00
Royal Paracale	2,600	16,636.92
San Mauricio	7,221	163,911.25
Suyoc	6,266	119,972.91
United Paracale	7,750	201,693.61

SPECIAL ROADS FOR FAST CARS

Forecast By Mr. L. Burgin

"The time may come when there is a need for the segregation of fast traffic from other traffic. Industrial traffic must come first, and pleasure traffic, if necessary, must be organised."

Mr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Transport, made this statement at the inaugural "luncheon" of the Commercial Motor Show at Earl's Court.

"If every one of the 4,000,000 people to whom we issue driving licences each year had a car five yards long, and they all took them out on the Brighton road on a fine Sunday the road from London to Brighton would be covered 228 times," he went on.

"The vehicles in this show include six-wheelers 30ft long. The tremendous development of commercial road transport shows the virility, importance, and the size of the industry—and some of the difficulties of the Ministry of Transport.

"I want no industry which has reached such a tremendous size to keep precariously dependent solely on imported fuel. I congratulate all who have shown leadership and initiative by using other fuel than petrol."

"As an owner-driver who has covered 1,000 miles of road nearly every week of his life, with all the instincts of care of one who wishes to answer questions the next day, I often find myself going over a blind bridge at speed and being confronted with an unlit, partly lit, or partly obscured lorry, the size of a Moloch, on a narrow road.

"I sympathise with some of those young people who come to grief in similar circumstances. I realise that it is nothing but the intervention of Providence that has prevented it from happening to my own car."

JAPANESE HOME MINISTER RESIGNS

Tokyo, Dec. 14.

It is officially stated that the Home Minister, Dr. Eiichi Baba has resigned owing to ill-health, and that the Cabinet Councillor, Admiral Nobumasa Suetsugu been appointed Home Minister.—*Reuter.*

AMBOIN SUCCEEDS QUESLANY

Bernes, Dec. 14: M. Oger Amboin, recently appointed French Director-General of National Economy, has been elected to succeed the late Pierre Queslany as Director-General of the Bank of International Settlements.—*Reuter.*

TWO COLONELS IN LIBEL SUIT

Echo Of Expedition To Russia

SETTLEMENT AND APOLOGY

A libel action brought by Lt.-Col. Frederick Hermann Kisch against Lt.-Col. Graham Seton Hutchison and H.F. Lucas and Company, printers, was settled before Lord Hewart, the Lord Chief Justice, in the King's Bench Division.

Mr. B. B. Stenham, for Col. Kisch, said his client was wounded several times during the war and received many decorations.

In 1917-18, being unfit for further active service, he was in the department of military intelligence at the War Office concerned with the British assistance rendered to certain operations against the Russian revolutionaries. After the war he went to Palestine, where he had a distinguished record.

In 1936, while he was liaison officer between the British military headquarters in Palestine and the Jewish Agency there, the libel appeared in a pamphlet, "Truth"—not the well-known weekly publication—for which Col. Hutchison was responsible.

"The suggestion was," continued counsel, "that because Col. Kisch was a Jew, the British aid to the White Russian generals was abortive. As a matter of fact he was, and still is, anti-Bolshevik.

"This publication was repeated in an Arab paper in Palestine, and very widely circulated in the Near East, doing Col. Kisch considerable injury.

"However, Col. Hutchison unequivocally withdrew any imputation against the plaintiff, for which, he acknowledged, there was not the slightest foundation."

RECORD WITHDRAWN

Mr. Stenham added that Col. Hutchison would pay a sum sufficient to cover Col. Kisch's expenses in bringing the action. That had been accepted, because Col. Kisch was not anxious to make a profit out of the matter.

Mr. Neil Lawson, for Col. Hutchison, said: "My client tenders Col. Kisch a full and unequivocal apology, and both he and his co-defendants undertake not to repeat it or publish any words to a similar effect."

Mr. Lawson added that Col. Hutchison further undertook to send a copy of his statement to "Falastin," the Arab newspaper, in which the words complained of were inaccurately quoted.

Lord Hewart assented to the record in the case being withdrawn.

BRITISH OBSERVERS

Lisbon, Dec. 13: Twenty-two British observers on the Portuguese and Spanish frontier under the non-intervention scheme left for London to-day.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

ANTI-GAS WORK

Systematic Training Going On, Says Air Minister

London, Dec. 13.

During the debate in the House of Lords on the Air Raid Precautions Bill, the Air Minister, Viscount Swinton, referring to anti-gas precaution work already accomplished, said the school for instruction in Gloucestershire had been turning out instructed persons at the rate of 120 monthly. A second school would shortly be established in the neighbourhood of York. Some 200,000 volunteers had already been instructed in anti-gas measures. In addition, every policeman in the regular forces has also been trained, as well as very large numbers of special constabulary.

A special system of training had been instituted for doctors, and something like 10,000 doctors and 10,000 nurses had been instructed to give medical treatment in gas cases.

It was essential to prevent anything in the nature of panic in the work of giving security, and this he thought had been achieved.

Referring to provision of respirators, he said that in July last year an old cotton mill was taken over on the principle of a "shadow factory" for the making of gas masks. This factory had produced 20,000,000 gas masks or respirators, and he believed Great Britain was the only country that had so developed mass production of gas masks on such scale. Arrangements have also been made for providing 12 central store depots which would each hold something like 3,000,000. Five or these depots were already in existence.—*British Wireless.*

JAPAN'S DEMANDS IN SHANGHAI

Consular Body Discussing Matter With Japanese Authorities

London, Dec. 13

Lieut.-Commander R. T. H. Fletcher (Lab.) asked a question in the House of Commons to-day in regard to the demands the Shanghai Municipal Council has received from the Japanese military authorities.

Mr. Anthony Eden, in a written reply, said he was informed that on December 3 a Japanese representative handed to the Commissioner of the Shanghai Municipal Police a statement indicating that the Japanese military authorities reserve the right to take independent action in the Settlement without previous notice to the Council if the situation rendered it necessary. The Council referred the matter to the Consular body which, Mr. Eden understood, is now communicating with the Japanese authorities.

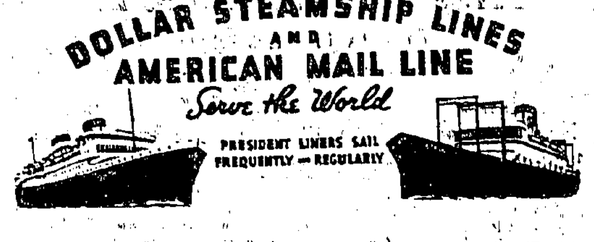
Lieut.-Comdr. Fletcher asked through what channel His Majesty's Government communicates with the Shanghai Municipal Council with regard to action it considers the Council should take with regard to the demands formulated, and the action taken by the Japanese military authorities.

Mr. Eden, in a written reply, said the Council was an international organisation and any advice of the nature indicated would be communicated to it collectively by the Consular body through the senior Consul in Shanghai. Conversely, if the Council desired such advice it would refer to the Consular body through the senior Consul.—*Reuter.*

JAPANESE TO GUARD RAILWAYS

Hsinhsiang, Honan, Dec. 14: Fearing further attacks in the rear by Chinese mobile units and guerilla fighters, the Japanese are rushing troops from southern and eastern Shansi northward to guard the Peiping-Suiyuan, Peiping-Hankow and the Chengtai railways, it is learned here.

A large Chinese force, in addition to mobile and guerilla units, are reported to have massed on the Hopei, Honan and Shansi borders, seriously menacing the Japanese positions. Japanese sources openly admit that the mobile units, which operate chiefly during the nights and have successfully evaded the invaders, have harassed the Japanese troops. Planes have been sent out daily to bomb these units but without much success.—*Central News.*



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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 19th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 27th inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 17th inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

In the case of dutiable cargo, Consignees are requested to inform the Imports & Exports Office that they have such goods for examination.

No Fire Insurance has been affected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Hong Kong, 13th Dec., 1937. [5817

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All claims must be sent in to us on or before the 22nd December, 1937, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Saturday, the 18th Dec., 1937.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES CO.

Hong Kong, 12th Dec., 1937. [5814

SHANGHAI DROMES TAKEN OVER

Hankow, Dec. 14: The Japanese have established military supply bases at the Lunghwa and Hungjao aerodromes in Shanghai, according to a report received here. Lunghwa is the commercial airport of Shanghai, while Hungjao is the military field.—*Central News.*

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

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having arrived from BREMEN, HAMBURG and Ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon where Delivery can be obtained.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ashe, at 10 a.m., on the 18th Dec., 1937.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's surveyors.

No Claim will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown and all claims must be presented within Two Weeks of the Ship's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognised.

Consignees are requested to surrender their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature.

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Hong Kong, 13th Dec., 1937. [5813

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 18th Dec., 1937, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 17th Dec., 1937, at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All Claims must reach us before the 18th Jan., 1938, or they will not be recognised.

No Insurance will be effected by us.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JEBSEN & CO.,
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Hong Kong, 11th Dec., 1937. [5807

CHUNGSHAMEN CAPTURED

Shanghai, Dec. 13.

Chungshanmen, which is the main gate in the east wall of Nanking, was captured at 9 a.m. according to Japanese reports, thus giving the Japanese full control of the southern and eastern walls.—*Reuter.*

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Shanghai via port	... KWANGTUNG "...	On 20th Dec., —
Ho How & Haiphong	... "KIUNGCHOW " ..	On 20th Dec., 5 p.m.
Swatow & Shanghai	..."SOOCHOW "	... On 21st Dec., 8 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	..."KALGAN "	... On 22nd Dec., 2 p.m.
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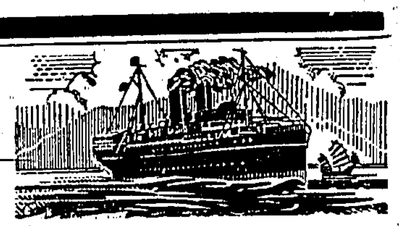

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R.M.S. EMPRESS OF CANADA

The R.M.S. Empress of Canada (Canadian Pacific S.S., Limited) is due here at 7 a.m. on Dec. 16 from Vancouver via Honolulu, Yokohama and Kobe, and will berth at Kowloon Wharf. She is due to sail for Manila at midnight on the same day.

S.S. SANTHIA

The B.I. and Apcar Line's s.s. Santhia will leave Hong Kong for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta on or about Friday, December 17, 1937, at 10.30 a.m.

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The Butterfield and Swire's s.s. Sarpedon is expected to arrive here from Kobe on Dec. 16 at 4 p.m.

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Burdwan, P. & O., December 25.
Titan, B. & S., December 26.
Suisang, J.M. & Co., December 27.
Agapenor, B. & S., Dec. 28.
Marchen Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 30
Afrika, East Asiatic & Co., Dec. 31.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., Jan. 2.
Kulmerland, Jebsen's, January 5.
Shirala, B.I. (Apcar), Jan. 6.
Potsdam, Melchers', January 6.
Chitral, P. & O., January 7.
Tamerlane, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., January 26.

Keelung.
Hong Kong Maru, O.S.K., December 25

Shanghai.
Gustav Diederichsen, Dec. 15.
Hindenberg, Jebsen's, December 15.
Tingsang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 16.
Loessang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 17.
Suiyang, B. & S., Dec 19.
Memnon, B. & S., December 19.
Kwangtung, B. & S., Dec. 20.
Soochow, B. & S., Dec. 21.
Chaksang, J.M. & Co., December 22.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Dec. 25.
Houtman, J.C.J. Line, January 1.
Chitral, P. & O., January 7.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Jan. 26.

Swatow.
Hellas, Thoresen's, Dec. 15.
Kweiyang, B. & S., Dec. 15.
Tingsang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 16.
Hoihow, B. & S., Dec. 19.
Soochow, B. & S., Dec. 21.
Helios, Thoresen's, December 22.
Kalgan, B. & S., Dec. 22.
Chaksang, J.M. & Co., December 22.

Taku.
Hindenberg, Jebsen's, December 15.

Takao
Hong-Kong Maru, O.S.K., December 25

Tientsin.
Tingsang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 16.
Hoihow, B. & S., Dec. 19.
Chaksang, J.M. & Co., December 22.

Tsingtao.
Hindenberg, Jebsen's, December 15.
Tingsang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 16.
Hoihow, B. & S., Dec. 19.
Chaksang, J.M. & Co., December 22.
Kulmerland, Jebsen's, January 5.

Wei-Hai-Wei
Hoihow, B. & S., Dec. 19.

EASTWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA.

Balboa.
Marchen Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 30.
New Orleans, Thoresen's, December 31.

Baltimore.
Tricolor, Dodwell's, December 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 30.
New Orleans, Thoresen's, December 31.
Noto Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 31.

Boston and New York.
Tricolor, Dodwell's, December 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 30.
New Orleans, Thoresen's, December 31.
Noto Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 31.

Cristobal.
Tricolor, Dodwell's, December 18.
Marchen Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 30.
New Orleans, Thoresen's, December 31.
Noto Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 31.

Honolulu.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 24.

Los Angeles.
Tricolor, Dodwell's, December 18.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, Dec. 23.
Marchen Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 30.
Noto Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 31.

Panama
Marchen Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 30.
New Orleans, Thoresen's, December 31.
Noto Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 31.

Philadelphia.
Marchen Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 30.
New Orleans, Thoresen's, December 31.
Noto Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 31.

Portland and Puget Sound
Pleasantville, Bank Line, Dec. 23.

San Francisco.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, Dec. 23.

Seattle.
Ixion, B. & S., December 16.
Pres. McKinley, A.M. Line, Dec. 17.

Vancouver, B.C.
Ixion, B. & S., December 16.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 24.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., January 26.

Victoria, B.C.
Ixion, B. & S., December 16.
Pres. McKinley, A.M. Line, Dec. 17.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 24.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., January 26.

SOUTHWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO COAST PORTS, MANILA, AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports, East and West
Changte, B. & S., December 17.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.

Bali
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 16.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 4.

Bangkok.
Hellas, Thoresen's, Dec. 15.
Kweiyang, B. & S., Dec. 15.
Helios, Thoresen's, December 22.
Kalgan, B. & S., Dec. 22.
Barentsz, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 28.

Batavia.
Tjisondari, J.C.J. Line, December 17.
Malayan Prince, Furness', January 11.

Belawan-Deli
Van Heutsz, J.C.J. Line, December 23.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Trave, Melchers', January 9.

Brisbane
Changte, B. & S., December 17.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.

Cairns
Changte, B. & S., December 17.

Cebu.
Silverwalnut, Furness', December 23.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 4.

Davao.
Silverwalnut, Furness', December 23.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.

Haiphong.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Dec. 20.

Hoihow.
Anking, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Dec. 20.
Hai Hing, Thoresen's, December 19.

Java.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 16.

Makassar
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 16.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Malayan Prince, Furness', January 11

Manila
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 16.
Ramses, Jebsen's, December 16.
Changte, B. & S., December 17.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 16.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, December 19.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, December 19
Silverwalnut, Furness', December 23.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.
Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, December 25.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Pres. Coolidge, Dollar's, December 31.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Malayan Prince, Furness', January 11.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., January 14.

Melbourne.
Changte, B. & S., December 17.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.

Rabaul
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.

Sandakan
Tai Suen Hong, J.M. & Co., Dec. 16.
Malayan Prince, Furness', January 11.
Hinsang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 31.

Semarang
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 16.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Malayan Prince, Furness', January 11.

Sydney
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.

Thursday Island.
Changte, B. & S., December 17.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.

Townsville.
Changte, B. & S., December 17.

WESTWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO EUROPE, AFRICA, ETC.

Aden.
Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Behar, P. & O., December 18.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, December 19
Ranpura, P. & O., Dec. 25.
Deucalion, B. & S., December 26.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., January 8.
Patroclus, B. & S., January 11.

African Ports.
Barentsz, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 28.

Algiers.
Peiping, Gilman's, December 29.

Antwerp.
Ramses, Jebsen's, December 16.
Behar, P. & O., December 18.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.
Peiping, Gilman's, December 29.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Gleniffer, J.M. & Co., January 4.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.

Bombay.
Behar, P. & O., December 18.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, December 19.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, December 19.
Jeypore, P. & O., Dec. 21.
Ranpura, P. & O., Dec. 25.
Toyama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 27.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 2.
Taiyin Maru, O.S.K., Jan. 3.
Rawalpindi, P & O., January 8.

Boston and New York.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, December 19.
Silverwalnut, Furness', December 23.
Marchen Maersk, Jebsen's, Dec. 30.
Malayan Prince, Furness', January 11.

Bremen.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Trave, Melchers', January 9.

Calcutta.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 17.
Yuensang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 21.
Ryuun Maru, N.Y.K., December 24.
Kumsang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 30.
Talma, B.I. (Apcar), January 1.

Casablanca.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.

Colombo.
Ramses, Jebsen's, December 16
Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Behar, P. & O., December 18.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, December 19.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, December 19
Jeypore, P. & O., Dec. 21.
Ranpura, P. & O., Dec. 25.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Toyama Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 27.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Taiyin Maru, O.S.K., Jan 3.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 2.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.
Rawalpindi, P & O., January 8.
Trave, Melchers', January 9.

Genoa.
Ramses, Jebsen's, December 16.
Pres Pierce, Dollar's, December 19.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, December 19.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25

Glasgow.
Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Deucalion, B. & S., December 26.
Patroclus, B. & S., January 11.

Gibraltar.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.
Ranpura, P. & O., Dec. 25.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., January 8.

Gothenburg and Other Scandinavian Ports.
Peiping, Gilman's, December 29.

Halifax.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.
Malayan Prince, Furness', January 11.

Hamburg.
Ramses, Jebsen's, December 16.
Behar, P. & O., December 18.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Deucalion, B. & S., December 26.
Peiping, Gilman's, December 29.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Gleniffer, J.M. & Co., January 4.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.
Trave, Melchers', January 9.
City of Singapore, Bank Line, Jan. 15.

Havre.
Behar, P. & O., December 18.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
City of Singapore, Bank Line, Jan. 15.

Hull
Behar, P. & O., December 18
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.

Karachi
Jeypore, P. & O., Dec. 21.
Taiyin Maru, O.S.K., Jan. 3.
London
Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Behar, P. & O., December 18
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.
Ranpura, P. & O., Dec. 25.
Deucalion, B. & S., December 26.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Gleniffer, J.M. & Co., January 4.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., January 8.
Trave, Melchers', January 9.

Marseilles.
Ramses, Jebsen's, December 16.
Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Behar, P. & O., December 18.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, December 19.
Ranpura, P. & O., Dec. 25.
Deucalion, B. & S., December 26.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., January 8.
Trave, Melchers', January 9.

Naples.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, December 19.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, December 19.

Oran.
Peiping, Gilman's, December 29.

Oslo.
Peiping, Gilman's, December 29.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.

Penang.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 17.
Behar, P. & O., December 18.
Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.
Hai Hing, Thoresen's, December 19.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, December 19.
Yuensang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 21.
Van Heutsz, J.C.J. Line, December 23.
Ryuun Maru, N.Y.K., December 24.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Tsushima Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 25.
Kumsang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 30.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Talma, B.I. (Apcar), January 1.
Taiyin Maru, O.S.K., Jan. 3.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., January 8.
Patroclus, B. & S., January 11.

Persian Gulf.
Jeypore, P. & O., Dec. 21.

Plymouth.
Ranpura, P. & O., Dec. 25.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., January 8.

Port Said.
Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Behar, P. & O., December 18.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, December 19.
Victoria, Lloyd Triestino, December 19.
Ranpura, P. & O., Dec. 25.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Deucalion, B. & S., December 26.
Peiping, Gilman's, December 29.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 2.
Gleniffer, J.M. & Co., January 4.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., January 8.
Patroclus, B. & S., January 11.

Port Soudan
Peiping, Gilman's, December 29.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.

Port Swettenham
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 17.
Talma, B.I. (Apcar), January 1.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.

Rangoon.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 17.
Hai Hing, Thoresen's, December 19.
Ryuun Maru, N.Y.K., December 24.
Talma, B.I. (Apcar), January 1.
Bijoun Maru, N.Y.K., January 2.

Rotterdam.
Ramses, Jebsen's, December 16.
Anking, B. & S., Dec 16.
Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec.
Behar, P. & O., December 18.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 18.
Scharnhorst, Melchers', December 25.
Deucalion, B. & S., December 26.
Peiping, Gilman's, December 29.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Gleniffer, J.M. & Co., January 4.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 7.
Trave, Melchers', January 9.
Patroclus, B. & S., January 11.
City of Singapore, Bank Line, Jan. 15.

Singapore.
City of Singapore, Bank Line, Jan. 15.
Ramses, Jebsen's, December 16.
Anking, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 17.
Behar, P. & O., December 18.

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Anna Maersk, Jebsen's, December 31.
Antenor, B. & S., January 1.
Assuan, Jebsen's, January 8.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 24.
Barentsz, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 26.
Burdwan, P. & O., Dec. 23.
Canton, Messageries', December 18.
City of Singapore, Bank Line, Dec. 15.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Dec. 25.
Corfu, P. & O., December 23.
Cremer, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 28.
C/Eastbourne, Bank Line, Jan. 11.
Duisburg, Jebsen's, January 1.
Diomed, B. & S., Dec. 14.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., Dec. 16.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., January 14.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., Dec. 30.
Gaasterkerk, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 15.
Gustav Diederichsen, Dec. 15.
Hakone Maru, N.Y.K., December 17.
Houtman, J.C.J. Line, January 1.
Jean Laborde, Messageries', Dec. 15.
Jeypore, P. & O., Dec. 16.
Kanchow, B. & S., Dec. 15.
Kalgan, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Katori Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 17.
Kidderpore, P. & O., Dec. 15.
Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., December 16.
Kiungchow, B. & S., Dec. 17.
Kutsang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 15.
Kulmerland, Jebsen's, January 2.
Lossiebank, Bank Line, December 24.
Luchow, B. & S., Dec. 20.
Memnon, B. & S., December 19.
Marchen Maersk, Jebsen's, December 24
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 1.
Nellore, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 1.
New Orleans, Thoresen's, December 31.
Noto Maru, N.Y.K., December 30.
Panama, East Asiatic & Co., January 5.
Pleasantville, Bank Line, Dec. 26.
Potsdam, Melchers', January 6.
Pres. McKinley, A.M. Line, Dec. 17.
Pres. Hoover, Dollar's, Dec. 15.
Pres. Pierce, Dollar's, Dec. 18.
R.C. Rickmers, Jebsen's, Dec. 19.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., December 27.
Ramses, Jebsen's, December 16.
Ranpura, P. & O., Dec. 24.
Ryufuku Maru, N.Y.K., December 29.
Santhia, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 15.
Sarpedon, B. & S., Dec. 16.
Shirala, B.I. (Apcar), January 4.
Soochow, B. & S., Dec. 15.
Soudan, P. & O., Dec. 31.
Sirdhana, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 21.
Suiyang, B. & S., Dec. 15.
Talma, B.I. (Apcar), Dec. 30.
Tamerlane, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Titan, B. & S., December 26.
Toyama Maru, N.Y.K., December 26.
Trave, Melchers', January 9.
Tricolor, Dodwell's, December 17.
Tsushima Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 24.
Van Heutsz, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 15.

CLEARANCES

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14.

Jean Laborde for Saigon.
Chang On for Saigon.
New Orleans for Iloilo.
Hai Yang for Swatow.
Prosper for Singapore.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13.

Thurland Castle for Manila.
Promise for Hongay.

ARRIVALS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14.

Cape St. Francis, British steamer, Captain T. H. Gregory, 2,170 tons, from Miike, cargo—coal, mooring at buoy No. A12.—M. B. K.

Diomed, British steamer, Captain H. D. Blamey, 6,354 tons, from Singapore, general cargo, berthing at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Hai Hing, Norwegian steamer, Capt. E. R. Hannevig, 1,445 tons, from Hoihow, general cargo, mooring at buoy No. B4.—Thoresen & Co.

Hong Peng, British steamer, Capt. O. Thomas, 2,525 tons, from Singapore, general cargo, lying at Stonecutters.—Ho Thong & Co.

Kaying, British steamer, Captain E. H. Histed, 1,573 tons, from Canton, lying at Taikoo Dock.—B. & S.

Silverwalnut, British steamer, Capt. J. Smith, 3,656 tons, from New York via Manila, general cargo, berthing at Kowloon Wharf.—Furness (Far East) Ltd.

Sygna, Norwegian steamer, Captain R. Holm, 2,464 tons, from Chinwangtao, cargo—coal, mooring at North Point.—Dodwell & Co.

Ting Sang, British steamer, Captain R. E. Smith, 1,232 tons, from Canton, mooring at buoy No. B2.—J. M. & Co.

Wing Wah, Portuguese steamer, Capt. J. Teixeira, 631 tons, from Kwong Chow Wan, general cargo, berthing at Saikong Wharf.—Tai Fung & Co

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13.

Behar, British steamer, Captain S. F. Champion, 2,942 tons, from Kobe, general cargo, mooring at buoy No. A9.—M. M. & Co.

Bokuyo Maru, Japanese steamer, Captain T. Taniguchi, 6,162 tons, from Shanghai, at Taikoo S. B Wharf.—N. Y. K.

Chang On, British steamer, Captain L. N. Beer, 2,235 tons, from Shanghai, lying at Yaumati.—Peters & Co.

Hai Ching, British steamer, Captain O. H. Farrar, 1,323 tons, from Canton, berthing at Douglas Wharf.—Douglas & Co.

Jean Laborde, French steamer, Captain Lamy, 6,593 tons, from Shanghai, general cargo, berthing at Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. & Co.

WARNING TO SHIPPING

Hankow, December 13.

Colonel Hashimoto, commanding the Japanese troops in the Wuhu area, informed the British authorities that for the next three days shipping must not move anywhere on the Yangtsze, and if they disobey the order they will be fired on.

Col. Hashimoto admitted he was out of touch with Headquarters and added that his men were not able to recognise the British flag.

Butterfield's tug, Chulung, had an uncomfortable fifteen minutes in Wuhu last night when it moved alongside H.M.S. Bee. Although it was not fired on, all guns ashore were trained on her.

The foreign staffs of Butterfield's and Jardine's in Wuhu are at present aboard the gunboats. Mr. Prideaux-Brune and Lt. Col. Lovat-Fraser are remaining aboard H.M.S. Bee.—*Reuter.*

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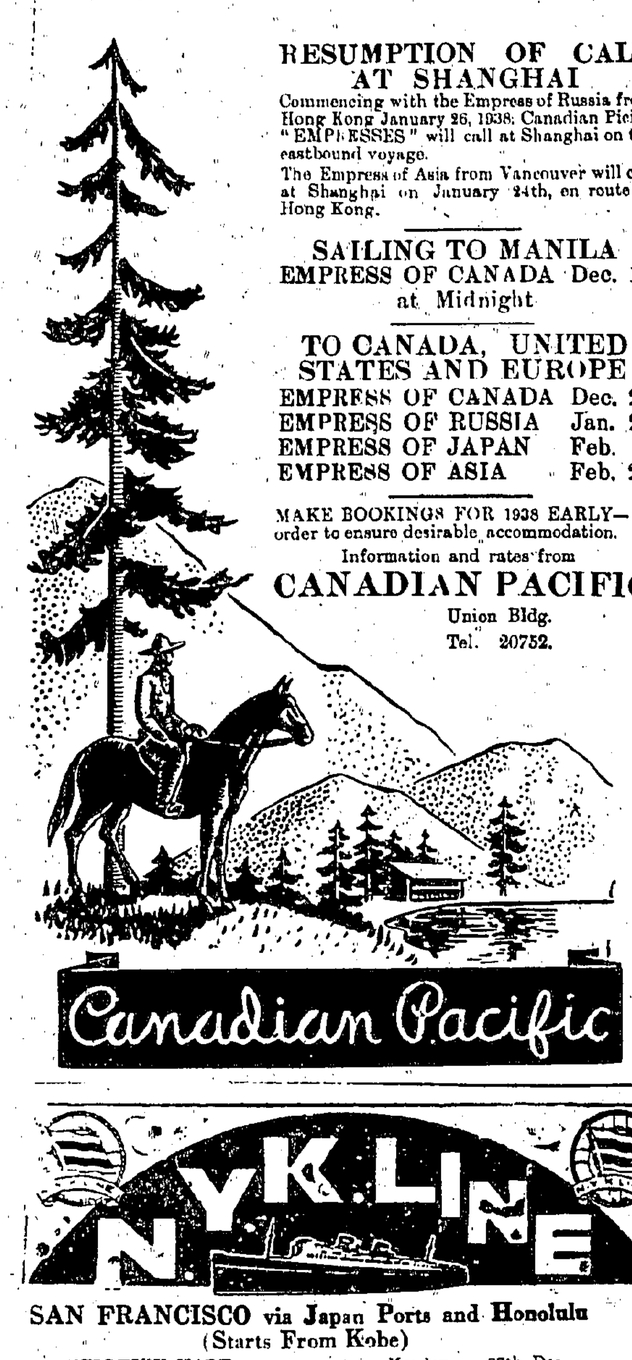

RESUMPTION OF CALL AT SHANGHAI

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CHICHIBU MARU	Monday,	27th Dec.
TAIYO MARU	...	10th Jan., 1938
TATSUTA MARU	...	25th Jan. 1938

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HIYE MARU	Saturday,	25th Dec.

NEW YORK via Panama.

† NOTO MARU	Friday,	31st Dec.
† NAKO MARU	...	24th Jan., 1938

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Hilo, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

BOKUYO MARU	Wednesday,	15th Dec.
RAKUYO MARU	....	12th Jan., 1938

LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP. R'DAM.

KATORI MARU	Saturday.	18th Dec.
KASHIMA MARU	...	1st Jan., 1938
YASUKUNI MARU	...	14th Jan., 1938

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus. and Marseilles.

† DURBAN MARU	...	12th Jan., 1938

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila and Ports.

ATSUTA MARU	Sunday,	25th Dec.
KITANO MARU	...	22nd Jan., 1938

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

† TOYAMA MARU	Monday,	27th Dec.
TANGO MARU	...	10th Jan., 1938

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

† RYUUN MARU	Saturday,	5th Dec.,

KOBE AND YOKOHAMA (Omitting Shanghai)

† DELAGOA MARU	Wednesday,	15th Dec.
HAKONE MARU	Friday,	17th Dec.
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Bohar (P. & O. S.N. Co.), British str., Captain S. F. Champion, 2,442 tons, arrived December 13 from Kobe. Mooring at buoy No. A9.

Bokuyo Maru (N. Y. K.), Japanese str., Capt. T. Taniguchi, 6,162 tons, arrived on December 13 from Shanghai. Berthing at Taikoo S.R. Wharf.

Blackheath (Thoresen & Co.), British steamer, Captain Reid, 2,703 tons, arrived on September 9 from Portland. Lying at North Point.

Cape St. Francis (M. B. K.), British str., Capt. T. H. Gregory, 2,170 tons, arrived Dec. 14 from Miike, cargo—coal. Mooring at buoy No. A12.

Changon (Peters & Co.), British str., Capt. L. N. Beer, 2,235 tons, arrived on December 13 from Shanghai. Cleared Dec. 14 for Saigon.

Changte (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, Captain F. C. Gambrill, 2,579 tons, arrived December 11 from Melbourne via Manila, general cargo. Berthing at A. P. C. Wharf.

Changtu (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Captain B. C. Finch, 1,338 tons. arrived on December 7 from Saigon. Lying at Stonecutters.

Diomed (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. H. D. Blamey, 6,354 tons, arrived Dec. 14 from Singapore. Berthing at Holt's Wharf.

Emmy (J. M & Co.), Greek str., Captain J. Michalitsianos, 2,474 tons, Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Empress of Asia (C. P. S.), British steamer, Capt. G. Goold, 8,883 tons, left Nagasaki on Dec. 14 at 8 a.m., arrives Kobe on Dec. 15 (to-day) at noon and leaves Kobe on Dec. 16 at 3 p.m. She will leave Yokohama for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., on Dec. 18 at 3 p.m.

Empress of Canada (C.P.S.), British str., Capt. W. T. Kinley, 12,811 tons, is due here at 7 a.m. on Dec. 16 from Vancouver via Honolulu, Yokohama and Kobe, and will berth at Kowloon Wharf. She leaves Hong Kong for Manila at midnight the same day.

Empress of Japan (C. P. S.), British steamer, Captain L. Douglas, 15,725 tons, left Honolulu on Dec. 9 at 4 p.m. She is due at Vancouver on Dec. 14 at 2 p.m. and leaves Vancouver on Dec. 25 at 11 a.m.

Empress of Russia (C. P. S.), British str., Capt. T. F. Patrick, 8,789 tons, arrived at Vancouver on Nov. 29 at 8/10 p.m. and leaves Vancouver on December 11 at 11 a.m. She is due at Hong Kong on December 30 (Thursday) at a.m. and will proceed to Kowloon Dock for annual overhaul after discharge of cargo.

Eng Lee (Yee Tai Hong), Chinese steamer, Captain T. Merei, 865 tons, Lying at Taikoo Dock.

Feng Lee (Yee Tai Hong), Chinese str., Captain Y. Kabayashi, 1,359 tons, Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Fingal (East Asiatic & Co.), Norwegian str., Captain Kaltenborn, 1,244 tons, arrived December 8 from Osaka. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Foo Shing (J. M. & Co.), British steamer, Captain Walter, 1,423 tons, arrived on November 18 from Saigon. Mooring at buoy No. B8.

Gertrude Maersk (Jebsen's), Danish str., Captain A. Jaegerson, 3,155 tons, Lying at Taikoo Dock.

G. G. Paul Doumer (M. M. & Co.), French str., Capt. P. B. Morganti, 734 tons, arrived on December 11 from Haiphong via K. C. Wan, gen. cargo. Mooring at buoy No. B5.

Hai Ching (Douglas & Co.), British str., Capt. O. H. Farrar, 1,922 tons, arrived on December 13 from Canton. Berthing at Douglas Wharf.

Hai Hing (Thoresen & Co.), Norwegian str., Capt. E. R. Hannevig, 1,445 tons, arrived on Dec. 14 from Hoihow. Mooring at buoy No. B4.

Hai Shang (Dodwell & Co.), Chinese steamer, Captain P. Book, 2,074 tons, Lying at Stonecutters.

Hai Yang (Douglas & Co.), British str., Capt. W. G. Erwin, 1,431 tons, arrived on December 11 from Swatow. Cleared December 14 for Swatow.

Hai Yu (Dodwell & Co.), Chinese str., Capt. V. Andreassen, 1,988 tons, Lying at Stonecutters.

Halldor (Thoresen & Co.), Norwegian steamer, Capt. J. Jorgensen, 840 tons, arrived December 13 from Samarinda. Lying at Yaumati.

Hellas (Thoresen & Co.), Norwegian str., Capt. J. Nilsen, 1,114 tons, arrived Dec. 11 from Bangkok via S'tow. Mooring at buoy No. B11.

Hindenburg (Jebsen & Co.), German str., Capt. Friske, 4,836 tons, arrived Dec. 10 from Manila, general cargo. Lying at Kowloon Bay.

Hong Peng (Ho Thong & Co.), British steamer, Capt. O. Thomas, 2,525 tons, arrived December 14 from Singapore. Lying at Stonecutters.

Ixion (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, Captain J. O. Connor, 6,524 tons, arrived December 5 from Seattle via Miike, general cargo, Mooring at buoy No. A3.

Java (East Asiatic & Co.), Danish steamer, Capt. Skjoldam, 5,525 tons, arrived on November 13 from Kobe. Mooring at buoy No. A4.

Jean Laborde (M. M. & Co.), French str., Captain Lamy, 6,503 tons, arrived Dec. 13 from Shanghai, general cargo. Cleared Dec. 14 for Saigon.

Kaying (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Captain E. H. Histed, 1,573 tons, arrived on December 14 from Canton. Lying at Taikoo Dock.

Kidderpore (P. & O. Line), British str., left Singapore at 11 a.m. on Dec. 8 (via Sulphur Channel), and is due here on Dec. 15 at about 7 a.m.

Kweiyang (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. D. Williamson, 1,580 tons, arrived on Dec. 9 from Bangkok. Mooring at buoy No. B15.

Mawatta (Geo. Grimble), American str., Capt. Jose Encarcion, 468 tons, arrived on November 30 from Manila. Lying at Yaumati.

Nanchang (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. J. Middleton, 1,488 tons, arrived on December 8 from Canton. Lying at Taikoo Dock.

New Orleans (Thoresen & Co.), American steamer, Capt. J. Mockrish, 3,834 tons, arrived Hong Kong December 13 from Manila, general cargo. Cleared December 14 for Iloilo.

Paula (A. P. C.), Dutch steamer, Captain A. J. Moerman, 1,319 tons, arrived on November 18 from Amoy. Lying at Lai Chi Kok.

Produce (Texas & Co.), Norwegian str., Captain E. Winsnes, 743 tons, arrived Nov. 14 from Macao. Lying at Stonecutters.

Promise (K. Larsen & Co.), Norwegian str., Capt. Hotvedt, 727 tons, arrived Dec. 11 from Penang, gen. cargo. Cleared December 13 for Hongay.

Prosper (Hung Phong Hong), Norwegian str., Capt. E. Stormer, 1,377 tons, arrived on Dec. 10 from Saigon. Cleared December 14 for Singapore.

Santhia (B.I. & Apcar Line), British steamer, Captain R. Redwood, 4,841 tons, is due here Dec. 15 from Amoy. She will leave Hong Kong for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta on or about Friday, Dec. 17, at 10.30 a.m.

Sarpedon (Butterfield & Swire), British str., is expected to arrive here from Kobe on December 16 at 4 p.m.

Silverwalnut (Furness's), British str., Capt. J. Smith, 3,656 tons, arrived Dec. 14 from New York via Manila, g. cargo. Berthing at Kowloon Wharf.

Sygna (Dodwell & Co.), Norwegian steamer, Captain R. Holm, 2,464 tons, arrived December 14 from Chinwangtao Lying at North Point

Tai Poo Sek (Tai Fung & Co.), French str., Capt. J. Bonnamour, 1,219 tons, arrived Dec. 10 from K. C. Wan. Mooring at buoy No B9.

Tai Suen Hong (J.M. & Co.), British steamer, Capt. Courqueux, 1,300 tons, arrived December 7 from Sandakan. Mooring at buoy No. B22.

Talamba (M. M. & Co.), British str., Captain D. R. C. Sinclair, 3,844 tons, Lying at Taikoo Dock.

Tenyo Maru (M.B.K.), Japanese str., Capt. J. Murakami, 2,302 tons, arrived Dec. 12 from Miike, general cargo. Mooring at buoy No. A15.

Thurland Castle (Dodwell & Co.), British str., Captain R. L. Hughes, 3,808 tons, arrived on November 30 from Manila, cargo—fuel oil and etc. Cleared December 14 for Manila.

Ting Sang (J. M. & Co.), British str., Captain R. E. Smith, 1,232 tons, arrived on December 14 from Canton. Mooring at buoy No. B2.

Tjinegara (J. C. J. Line), Dutch str., Captain J. Adriaanse, 5,783 tons, arrived here on December 10 from Sourabaya via Manila, general cargo. Mooring at buoy No. A17.

Turul (Far East & Co.), Hungarian str., Captain E. Horretty, 1,509 tons, arrived December 7 from Keelung, coal. Mooring at buoy No. B23.

Unita (Dodwell & Co.), Norwegian str., Capt. H. Kvamso, 2,345 tons, Lying at Lai Chi Kok.

Vardaas (A. P. C.), Norwegian steamer, Capt. F Larsen, 1,869 tons, Lying at North Point.

Willandra (Dodwell & Co.), British str., Capt. Williamson, 3,604 tons, arrived Dec. 11 from Manila, flour, etc., Mooring at buoy No. A11.

Wing Wah (Tai Fung & Co.), Portuguese str., Capt. J. Teixeira, 651 tons, arrived December 14 from K. C. Wan. Berthing at Saikong Wharf.

CHINA SQUADRON DISPOSITION

The following is the disposition of H.M. Ships in North China:

Shanghai: Folkestone.
Tsingtao: Suffolk.
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Chefoo: Delight.
Nanking: Capetown.
Amoy: Diamond.
Swatow: Diana.

WARSHIPS IN HARBOUR

The following are the berthings of warships in harbour.—

South Wall: Grimsby, Herald.
East Wall: Otus, Pandora, Tarantula, Rorqual.
North Arm: Medway and the Fourth Submarine Flotilla.
West Wall: Cumberland.
Dock: Defender, Decoy, Regulus.
No. 3 Buoy: Westcott.
No. 6 Buoy: Adventure.
No. 7 Buoy: Regent, Rover.
No. 8 Buoy: Duncan.
No. 10 Buoy: Olympus, Rainbow.
No. 13 Buoy: Sandwich, Thracian.

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR

Chinese: C.M.C. Cruisers (15), Gunboats (2). Transports (2).

ADMIRAL LITTLE HERE

H.M.S. Falmouth, with Admiral Sir Charles Little, Commander-in-Chief of the China Fleet, arrived in Hong Kong at 7.15 a.m. yesterday from Shanghai.

HOOVER PASSENGERS

Expected In Manila This Morning

Word has been received in Hong Kong that the Dollar liner President McKinley has sailed from Hoishoto Island with 453 of the wrecked President Hoover. The McKinley left Hoishoto at 5.30 p.m. on Sunday.

She will go direct to Manila and is due to arrive this morning. She will be in Hong Kong by December 20. It is expected.

PANAY RESCUES

Well-Known American Author

Among the wounded picked up by H.M.S. Bee following the destruction of the Panay and Standard Oil Company vessels, is Mr James Marshall. It is learned from the naval authorities in Hong Kong. Mr. Marshall is the well-known American writer whose work in Collier's Weekly has been widely read and quoted. He is seriously wounded in the neck.

Among the men from the three Socony steamers picked up are: Messrs. Sherwood, Pickering, Goldie, Jorgenson, Mendyard and Blasino. These names may be incorrectly spelled.

CLUE TO MISSING STEAMER

A lifebelt belonging to the Norwegian steamer Stranna, of Oslo, which disappeared in October last year on a voyage from Troon, Ayreshire, to Newfoundland, has been found on the west shore of the island of Colonsay, Argyll.

The steamer, after leaving Troon, anchored for a night in Canna Harbour and was seen for the last time when she passed the north end of the island the next day.

With the exception of the lifebelt, which is partly burnt, no trace of any wreckage of the boat has been found. The crew, believed to number 20, are presumed to have all perished.

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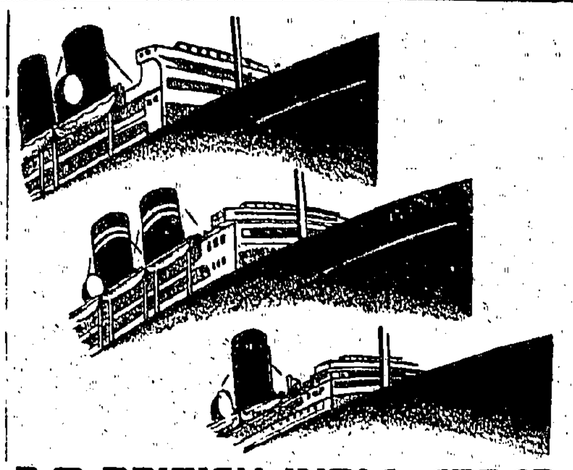

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*JEYPORE	5,000	21st Dec.	Bombay, Karachi & Persian Gulf.
RANPURA	17,000	28th Dec.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*SOUDAN	7,000	1st Jan.	Mars., Havre, London, H'burg R'dam., Antwerp. & Hull.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	6th Jan	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
*KIDDERPORE	5,000	15th Jan.	Bombay, Karachi & Persian Gulf
CORFU	14,500	22nd Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London
*BURDWAN	6,000	29th Jan.	B'bay, Mars. Havre, L'don, H'bg., R'dam., A'werp. & Hull
CHITRAL	15,000	5th Feb.	Marseilles & London
CARTHAGE	14,500	19th Feb.	do
*SOMALI	7,000	26th Feb.	Mars., Havre, London, H'burg., R'dam., A'werp. & Hull.
COMORIN	15,000	5th Mar.	Marseilles & London.

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BRITISH INDIA - APCAR SAILINGS			
SANTHIA	8,000	17 Dec. 10.30 a.m.	Singapore, Port Swettenham Penang, Rangoon & Calcutta.
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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN			
*KIDDERPORE	5,000	16th Dec.	Japan
SIRDHANA	8,000	23rd Dec.	Amoy & Japan
CORFU	14,500	24th Dec.	Japan
*BURDWAN	6,000	25th Dec.	Japan
NELLORE	7,000	2nd Jan.	Japan
SHIRALA	8,000	8th Jan.	Amoy & Japan
CHITRAL	15,000	7th Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
TILAWA	10,000	20th Jan.	Amoy & Japan
CARTHAGE	14,500	21st Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
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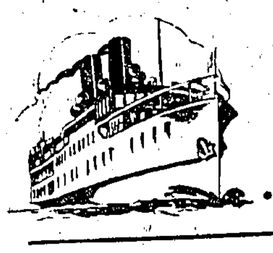

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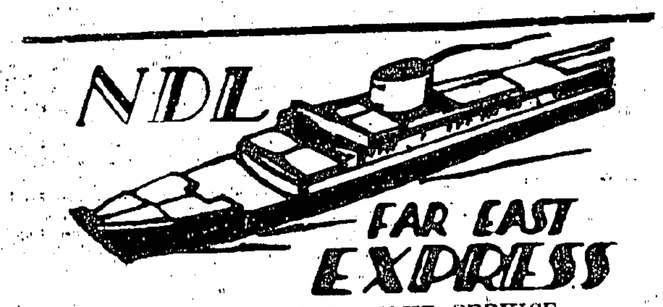

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	Trave	Malta, Marseilles, Rotterdam, Hamburg, Bremen	Jan. 9
Straits & Ceylon	Scharnhorst	Singapore, Penang, Belawan, Colombo	Dec. 25
	Trave	Singapore, Belawan, Colombo	Jan. 9
Manila	Scharnhorst	Manila	Dec. 25
Japan	Potsdam	Yokohama, Kobe	Jan. 9
North China & Japan	Fulda	Dairen, Tsingtau	Jan. 13
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Miss Ellen Ford who will also appear at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden on December 21 at a dinner dance sponsored by the Chinese Youth Medical Relief Association. Miss Ford will entertain with a dance.

SCHOOLS' PRIZE DAY

(Continued from Page 8)

Great strides have been made in women's education in the past fifty years, and the progress registered has been largely due to the zeal and ability of the women who have taken up teaching in its various forms as a profession.

If I were giving advice I should say devote yourselves wholeheartedly to your general school subjects but at the same time cultivate a special interest in one of them and make yourself mistress of it whether it be cookery, embroidery, art, music or literature. These provide opportunities for creative work, will relieve the tedium of life and counteract the evil effects of any disappointments you may meet with when you leave school.

Now I wish you all, teachers and scholars, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Owing to pressure on space the Prize Lists will be published tomorrow.

New Puppet Regime Set Up In Peiping

Repudiation Of Nanking

National Flag Replaced By Old Tri-Colour

Peiping, Dec. 14: The "Provisional Government of the Republic of China," to replace the Nanking Government, was inaugurated this morning by proclamation.

Peiping is renamed Peking as the capital, and the old tri-colour national flag of the Republic replaces the Nanking Government's flag. The administration will in future extend its influence to the whole of North China and possibly the Yangtse area.

The new administration aims, firstly, to abolish one-party politics; secondly, absolute resistance against communism; thirdly, promotion of friendly relations with neighbouring countries for furtherance of East Asiatic doctrines, and fourthly, development of industries.—*Reuter.*

PUPPET OFFICIALS

Shanghai, Dctc. 13.

Further particulars are now available about the composition of the "Provisional Government of the Chinese Republic" which will be set up in Peiping at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 14. It will comprise two former Chinese presidents, three former Prime Ministers, five ex-Ministers of Finance and four Ministers in ordinary as well as other prominent Chinese statesmen.

The Legislative Committee will be presided over by Dr. Tang Ei-ho, former Minister for Home Affairs. As already reported the head of the Executive Committee and virtually the leader of the pro-Japanese government will be Wang Ko-min, former Minister of Finance. It is also claimed that General Wu Pei-fu will play a part in this form of government.

WU PEI-FU?

The first act of the Provisional Government will be the repudiation of the Nanking Government and at the same time the new body will announce their intention to respect all international obligations entered into by the former Chinese government.

Collaboration with Japan and Manchukuo and the extermination of communism will be the cardinal points in the programme of this government. Chinese quarters express grave doubts about the names published by the Japanese and it is held incredible that such men like the two former Chinese presidents, Tsao Kun and Hou Shih-chang and General Wu Pei-fu have placed their services at the disposal of the Japanese authorities. Only a few weeks ago General Wu Pei-fu had called on the Generalissimo to assure the latter of his loyalty.—*Transocean News Service.*

ANFU LORDS' PARTS

Tokyo, Dec. 14: The "Provisional Government of the Republic of China" is expected to be established in Peiping to-day.

According to the "Asahi Shimbun," survivors of the former Anfu clique will play prominent roles in the new regime. It is believed that Tsao Kun, president of China in 1923, will be appointed president of the new government, and that Marshal Wu Pei-fu will be vice-president.

General Chi Hsieh-yuan, formerly military governor of Kiangsu, will be appointed premier and war minister. Hsu Shih-chang, another ex-president of China, and Wang Komin are also expected to be given high positions.

The new regime, it is forecast, will issue a manifesto pledging "respect for all treaties and agreements concluded between China and those countries which maintain friendly relations with China."—*Reuter.*

Horticultural Society

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"I cannot conclude without expressing the deep appreciation of the Committee and Society for the work done by Mr. J. T. Bagram and Mr. Andrew Tse. The healthy state of the Society is very largely due to the efforts of these gentlemen. I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and account."

The motion was carried unanimously.

The Committee were re-elected en bloc with the exceptions of Sir William Hornell and Mr. H. Green, both of whom have left the Colony on retirement. Their places were taken by Mrs. F. C. Hall, retiring President, and Mrs. R. E. Hoare. The list of officers therefore now reads:—

Patrons.—H's Excellency Sir Geoffry Northcote, His Excellency Admiral Sir Charles Little, His Excellency Major-General A. W. Bartholomew, His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor, Commodore E. B. C. Dicken, R.N. and the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith.

President.—Lady Northcote.

Committee.—Major G. M. Churcher, R.A., Lt.-Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mrs. F. C. Hall, Mr. J. F. Grose, Dr. G. A. C. Herklots, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E., Mrs. R. E. Hoare, Mr. V. H. Janett, Mr. M. W. Lo, Mr. J. P. Robinson, Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, Mr. J. T. Bagram (Hon. Secretary) and Mr. Andrew Tse (Hon. Treasurer).

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to Jardines for the use of their room.

Amongst those present in addition to members of the Committee were Mr. A. H. Compton, the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Lady Pollock, Mr. S. H. Ross, Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell, Mrs. E. Cock, Mrs. Stapleton, Mr. P. C. Potts and Mr. M. P. Talati.

BRITISH LOAN TO BELGIUM

London, Dec. 14.

Arrangements for the issue this week of a £500,000 loan to Belgium, bearing interest at 4 per cent and repayable in 1960, were completed yesterday by a group of British bankers.

The proceeds will be used mainly to repay certain Dutch credits raised three years ago, but a substantial sum, it is understood, will be retained in Britain to meet trade debts and for other purposes.

The fact that the Treasury has given its consent to the loan without restriction does not imply any change in the attitude adopted during the past few years towards foreign lending in general. It is felt, however, that Belgium's excellent financial record, her adherence to the Tripartite Monetary Agreement and her traditional friendship with Britain, recently cemented by the visit of King Leopold, entitle her to special consideration.—*British Wireless Service.*

Miss Violet Tse Law-lan who will entertain with a song and dance number at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden on December 21 at an entertainment sponsored by the Chinese Youth Medical Relief Association.

EUROPEAN CONVICTED

Drove Car When Not In Fit Condition

At the resumed hearing before Mr. E. C. G. Barrett, the Fourth Magistrate, Singapore, on a charge against Mr. T. S. Carruthers, a construction engineer, of having on the night of July 31 caused grievous hure to Mr. James Hamilton, a wireless operator on board the m.v. Kistna, by driving his motor car in a rash manner along Robinson road, the evidence of the complainant given on oath was to the effect that the only intimation he had of the car coming from behind was the grinding of brakes "which seemed to be right on top of him."

Medical evidence given by Dr. Xavier, of the General Hospital, was to the effect that the accused, who was brought to him for examination following the accident, smelt strongly of alcohol, was garrulous and very unsteady on his feet. He was also "very excited and the pupils of his eyes were very widely dilated." In witness's opinion the accused was definitely under the influence of alcohol and that he was not in a fit condition to drive.

Stating that he was satisfied that the accused was not in a fit condition to drive his car at the time of the accident, the Magistrate imposed a fine of $100 on the accused in default three months and ordered his licence to be suspended for six months.

Court Inspector A. H. Frew, who led the evidence for the Crown, mentioned "an exactly similar offence" against the accused for which he was fined $70 in 1931 with three months' suspension of his driving licence.

WEATHER REPORT

ROYAL OBSERVATORY HONG KONG

10 a.m., Dec. 14.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.09 ins.
Temperature, 67 F.
Humidity, 84 per cent
Wind Direction, North.
Wind Force (Beaufort), 2.
Temperature; maximum yesterday, 67 F.
Temperature; minimum last night, 64 F.
Rainfall for 24 hours, ending 10th to-day, 0.03 in.
Total rainfall since January 1, 81.92 ins.
Against an average of 84.52 ins.
Sunset to-night, 5.41 p.m.
Sunrise to-morrow, 6.55 a.m.

4 p.m., Dec. 14.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.01.
Temperature, 68. Humidity, 79.
Wind Direction, North. Wind Force (Beaufort), 3. Maximum temperature, 69. Minimum temperature, 63.
Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From December 14 to 20, 1937.

Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water: Hong Kong Standard Time	High Water: Height	Low Water: Hong Kong Standard Time	Low Water: Height
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Tues.	14	05 59	4 8	00 37	3 2
		18 05	7 2	11 30	3 2
Wed.	15	07 29	4 7	01 32	3 3
		18 53	7 7	12 18	3 3
Thur.	16	08 33	4 8	02 20	3 3
		19 40	8 3	13 05	3 3
Fri.	17	09 39	4 8	03 09	0 8
		20 39	8 7	13 50	3 4
Sat.	18	10 31	4 8	03 53	0 2
		21 17	8 8	14 34	3 5
Sun.	19	11 20	4 8	04 27	0 2
		22 05	8 7	15 19	3 4
Mon.	20	12 7	4 8	05 19	0 3
		22 52	8 3	16 03	3 5

FOREIGN MAILS

HONG KONG RADIO TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

XLT Telegrams conveying Christmas and New Year Greetings will be accepted by the Radio Office for transmission via Radio during the period from 14th December, 1937 to 6th January 1938, both dates inclusive.

(a) The charge for telegrams to places in China will be based on *ONE FOURTH* of the ordinary rate and to other places on *ONE THIRD* of the ordinary rate.

(b) The minimum charge for all places will be for ten words.

Further particulars may be obtained on application at the Radio Office.

Air Mail Service to Shanghai is temporarily suspended.

Ordinary air mail letters for Imperial Airways Direct Service to Europe etc., will, until further notice, be closed at Kowloon Post Office and General Post Office 9.00 a.m. on Sundays. Letters for this Service may be posted in the ordinary posting boxes at Kowloon Post Office and General Post Office. They should be clearly marked "By Air Mail" and bear sufficient postage. Insufficiently prepaid letters may be taxed with double the deficiency or forwarded by Steamer Service, at the discretion of the Post Office.

Christmas and New Year cards bearing not more than five written words and enclosed in open envelopes are accepted by the Post Office at the rate for printed matter, i.e. 5 cents per 2 ounces, for all countries.
Hongkong, China and Macao at 2 cents per 2 ounces.
Envelopes must not be closed.

Letters and Postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Straits	*Van Heutz*	15th Dec.
Amoy	*Santhia*	15th Dec.
Straits	*Kidderpore*	15th Dec.
Australia and Manila	*Kitano Maru*	15th Dec.
Calcutta and Straits	*Kutsang*	15th Dec.
Shanghai and Foochow	*Swochow*	15th Dec.
Swatow	*Kanchow*	15th Dec.
Haiphong	*Suiyang*	15th Dec.
Japan	*Sarpedon*	16th Dec.
Straits	*Anking*	16th Dec.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (Vancouver B.C. 27th November)	*Emp. of Canada*	16th Dec.
Japan	*Jeypore*	16th Dec.
Japan and Formosa	*Kutori Maru*	17th Dec.
Java	*Tjisalak*	17th Dec.
Manila	*Adrastus*	17th Dec.
Straits and EUROPE via Negapatam (Letters and Papers) London date, 18th November	*Hakone Maru*	17th Dec.
Shanghai	*Victoria*	17th Dec
Shanghai and Swatow	*Kinsychow*	17th Dec.
Bangkok and Swatow	*Kalgan*	17th Dec.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Fran. 17th November)	*Pres. Pierce*	18th Dec.
Haiphong	*Canton*	18th Dec.
Manila	*Pres. McKinley*	19th Dec.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 8th December	Pan-American Airways Plane	20th Dec.
	Luc ow	20th Dec.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 11th December	Imperial Airways Plane	21st Dec.
Straits, Manila and London Parcels (London date, 11th November)	*Memnon*	21st Dec.
Calcutta and Straits	*Sirdhana*	21st Dec.
Straits	*Titan*	22nd Dec.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 25th Nov. and London Parcels—London date, 18th November	*Corfu*	23rd Dec.
Japan and Shanghai	*Ranpura*	24th Dec
Straits	*Burdwan*	24th Dec
Saigon	*D'Artagnan*	24th Dec.

OUTWARD MAILS

REGISTERED AND PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 6 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time
WEDNESDAY		
Kongmoon and (Pakhoi via Kongmoon)	*Fook On*	Wednesday 15th
Air Mail for North China and Nanking (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Eurasia Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 15th, 9.00 AM Ord. 15th, 9.30 AM
Swatow and Bangkok	*Kweiyang*	10.30 AM
Fort Bayard and Haiphong	*G. G. Paul Doumer*	2.00 PM
Swatow and Bangkok	*Hellas*	2.30 PM
Japan and *EUROPE via Siberia	*Kitano Maru*	5.00 PM
THURSDAY		Thursday 16th,
Sandakan	*Tai Seun Hong*	8.30 AM
Swatow	*Tingsang*	10.30 AM
Dairen and *Canada via Victoria B.C.,—due Victoria B.C., 13th Jan. 1938	*Ixion*	10.30 AM
Japan and *San Francisco—due San Francisco, 18th January 1938	*Bokuyo Maru*	1.30 PM
Straits and *EUROPE via Marseilles due Marseilles, 16th January 1938	*Behar*	G.P.O & K.P.O. Reg. 1.45 PM Ord. 2.30 PM
*Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	*Tjinegara*	2.30 PM
Manila	*Emp. of Canada*	5.00 PM
*Straits and Calcutta	*Santhia*	Par. 16th, 5.00 PM Ord. 17th, 6.30 AM
FRIDAY		Friday, 17th,
Hoihow	*Anking*	8.30 AM
Air Mail for North China, Sian & Nanking (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Eurasia Plane	G.P.O, & K.P.O. Reg. 9.00 AM Ord. 9.30 AM
Manila, Australia, and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 28th December	*Changte*	Par. 9.00 AM Reg. 9.45 AM Ord. 10.30 AM
*Straits and *EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles 14th Jan., 1938 and London Parcels due London 20th Jan., 1938	*Sarpedon*	Parcels 9.00 AM Reg. 9.45 AM Ord. 10.30 AM
Formosa, Japan and *EUROPE via Siberia	*Hakone Maru*	3.30 PM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 16th Jan., 1938	*Kutori Maru*	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM

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